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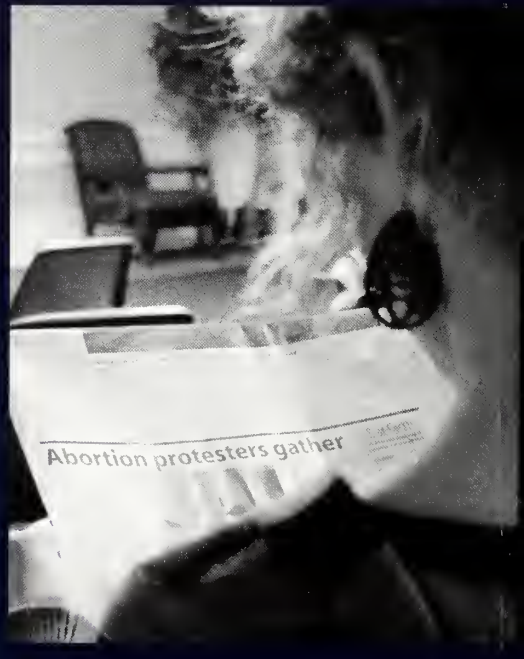
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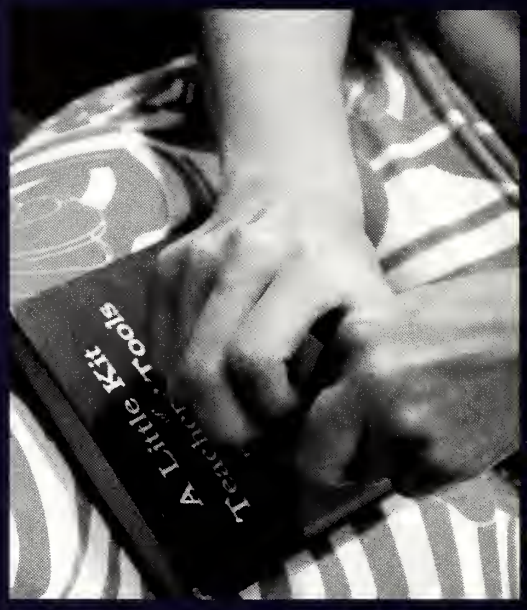
A child looks through o prismotic magnifying glass, spying upon a miniscule world of movement and progress. The tiny insects march in line and yet morch to their own poce; their tiny eyes ond ontennae obsorb the sensory details of the larger world. They ore together: o massive workforce capable of incredible feots. They ore o functioning unit corrying out o common goal. It is a world of action.

Looking ot Lee University from o distont ond locolized focol point, one would see a similar sight. The students and faculty ore in the continual movement of education and Christion living, constontly evolving the way they live ond breathe and react to the world at large.

At Lee University the professors instill within their students o pride and nobility thot could only be obtoined in o rigorous, Christion environment, where one's Christian worldview and spirituality is constantly nurtured and expanded. The students themselves mill owoy, growing ond maturing into the people God hos colled them to be.

It is o fluidic, naturol motion thot moy not be noticed ot first glonce. The octive world of Lee University is more thon just "church" or "educotion." It is o community where many strive for excellence, whether it is through social groups, sociol gotherings or intimately social living. It is a community of serving ond working towords fundomentally Christ-centered relationships; relotionships where oction ond serving tokes an active role in living.

The people ot Lee University come from oll ospects of life with o variety of interests. They live their lives through the motion of doing, rather than simply soying. Preporing for the coming world thot follows ot the end of four (or five, or six) yeors of college, Lee University is o ploce of growth. It is o place of education. Lee University is o ploce of oction. *Copy by Michael Gillum. Layout by Elizobeth Compton.*


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open to a new life view

"I wanted a perfect ending. Now I've learned, the hard way, that some poems don't rhyme, and some stories don't have a clear beginning, middle and end. Life is about not knowing, having to change, taking the moment and making the best of it, without knowing what's going to happen next."

- Gilda Radner, *Delicious Ambiguity*

Each person has some story to tell, whether it be their own personal story or a story from someone else or even a story of fictional characters. Through these stories we begin to grasp the bigger concept of who people truly are and what events shape (and create) them. We begin to understand that people are more than just a face or a name. Through them we begin to see the true worldview in place around us: a complex web of social structure and passionate beliefs intermingled with people and events.

The Lee University campus has such a wide variety of students and faculty with such diverse stories, it would be a crime against humanity to not share some of these narratives. In reading just a few of the stories listed here, you will begin to realize that some of your own peers and instructors have interesting backgrounds that you may have never even given a thought to.

Reading these stories of Lee University students and faculty will open up a view that you probably didn't have before, bringing you a sense of familiarity and may even open up a few doors to new foundations of friendships. *Copy by Michael Gillum. Layout by Elizabeth Camptan.*



Josh Wheeler

"He is a very unique and fascinating person. He inspired me to get a mullet."

~ Jeremy Wyatt





With 28 kids, it's no surprise the Wheeler home become o soccer oreno when porents were owoy. Josh didn't think of his siblings as people he hod to witness to or convert; they were simply brothers ond sisters. The Wheeler fomily mode Thoiland their home ond being o fomily their purpose. One of my biggest pet peeves," he said, "is when people osk me if my porents ore missionories. I'm one too." With family such a centrol port of his life, he couldn't be seporoted from thot.

The children odopted into the Wheeler fomily come out of poverty ond bad family situotions. "God doesn't wish you to be poor," soid Josh, who ottributed his fomily's success to God's mirocles through sponsors. After being odopted, his siblings were brought out of poverty ond led to love Christ. For Josh, 'fomily' ond 'spirituol guidonce' were one and the some. "They were orphans. Now they're family," he said, "Just seeing others changed or just simply blessed, you know, is a huge reward in itself."

Too often people "never look post 10 feet in front of them" ond miss out on what they should be doing. Christions oren't procticing the golden rule—we're missing thot. Mony times missionaries go into o country with a mission and leove. Josh ond his fomily found it necessary to stay. Their mission wos to be o fomily. They've been in Thoilond for over 10 yeors ond oren't reody to stop now.

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Jason Steffenhagen

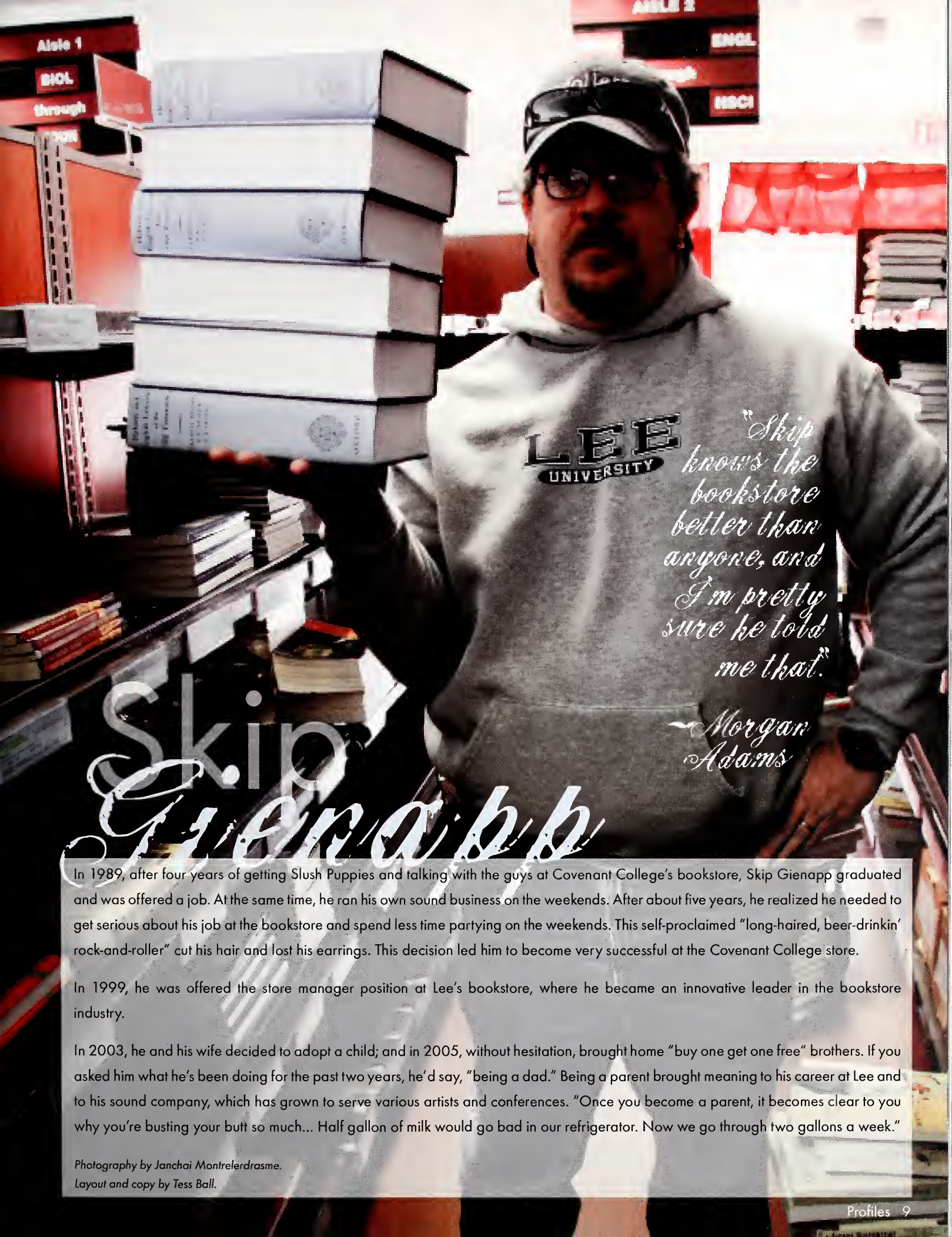
Jason Steffenhagen had a heart for the spiritual health of Lee's students and a passion for helping people think critically about their faith. He was the Discipleship Ministries Coordinator and over the HYPE Ministry. HYPE was an on-campus ministry that "lead others in a deeper and more committed life as disciples of Jesus Christ" through weekly Bible study, leadership training, exploration of calling, service to our Lee and Cleveland community and relationship building.

His greatest struggle was seeing people uncertain about their faith. "I always want to fix problems, but when people are questioning their faith or wrestling with issues it is sometimes best just to listen...the world, and being like Jesus, can often be very gray." By listening, he has been able to help students discover purpose and meaning through their questioning.

He also witnessed many putting their faith in action and "transforming our culture with the love and acceptance of Christ...When I'm surrounded by people who get that vision or are struggling to understand it, I know I'm in the right place."







"Skip knows the bookstore better than anyone, and I'm pretty sure he told me that."

Morgan Adams

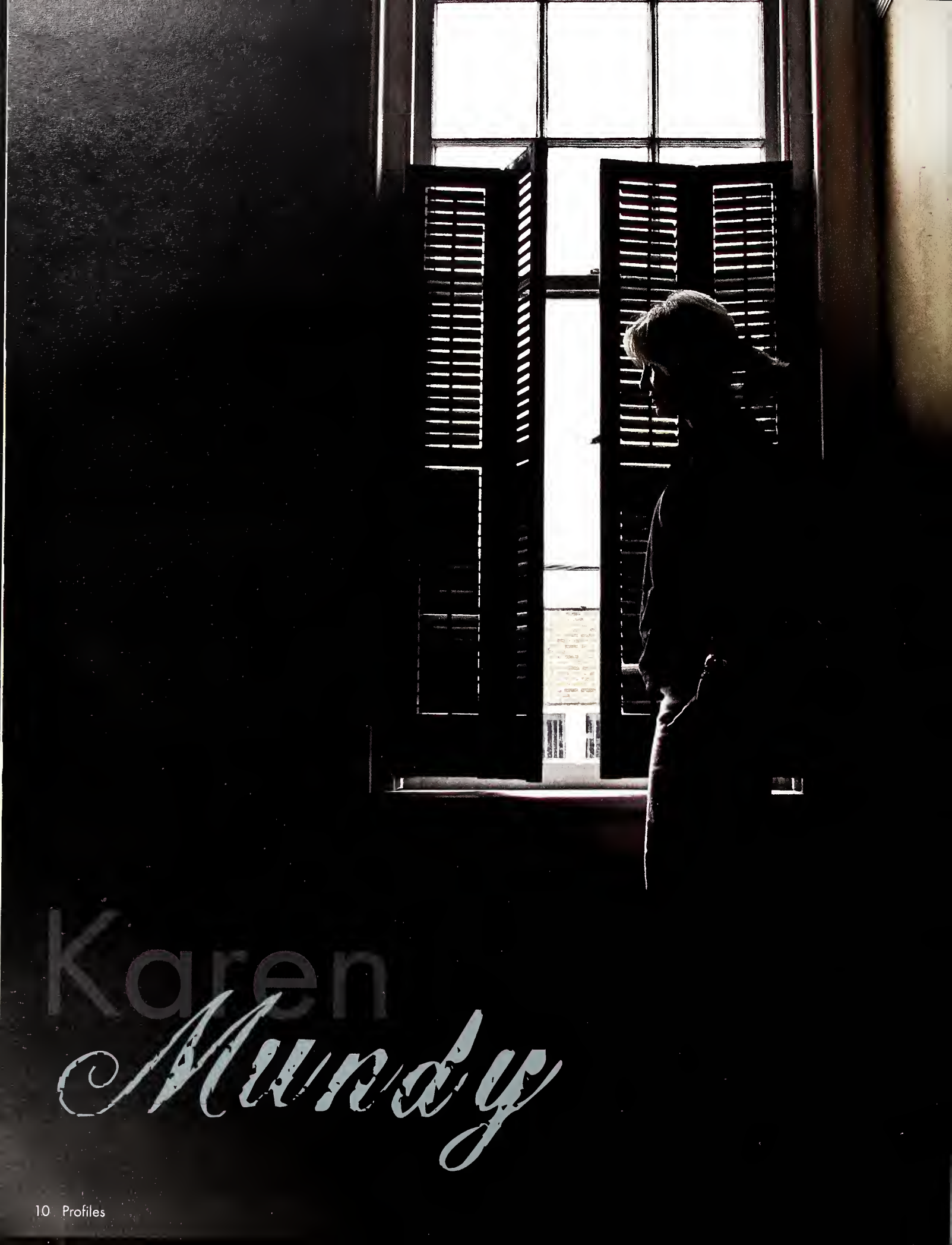
Skip Gienapp

In 1989, after four years of getting Slush Puppies and talking with the guys at Covenant College's bookstore, Skip Gienapp graduated and was offered a job. At the same time, he ran his own sound business on the weekends. After about five years, he realized he needed to get serious about his job at the bookstore and spend less time partying on the weekends. This self-proclaimed "long-haired, beer-drinkin' rock-and-roller" cut his hair and lost his earrings. This decision led him to become very successful at the Covenant College store.

In 1999, he was offered the store manager position at Lee's bookstore, where he became an innovative leader in the bookstore industry.

In 2003, he and his wife decided to adopt a child; and in 2005, without hesitation, brought home "buy one get one free" brothers. If you asked him what he's been doing for the past two years, he'd say, "being a dad." Being a parent brought meaning to his career at Lee and to his sound company, which has grown to serve various artists and conferences. "Once you become a parent, it becomes clear to you why you're busting your butt so much... Half gallon of milk would go bad in our refrigerator. Now we go through two gallons a week."

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Karen Mundy

"Driving home through the North Carolina Mountains, I stopped at a rest stop. As I drove away, I saw Dr. Mundy sitting on a hill, under a red and orange oak tree, reading a book... every time I have seen her outside of class she has a book in her hand."

~Rachelle Barr

Doing something just because it is a cause will eventually lead to being unfulfilled, but "when you're centered in Christ, you aren't as easily disillusioned...I'm in sociology, so I see a lot of causes or people get burned out and go from one thing to the next...If you do things for the love of Christ and for the love of people, it has more depth to it," said Karen Mundy, sociology professor and sponsor of International Justice Mission.

"I grew up thinking that if you have a problem, you demonstrated. I was an art major, and I have early renderings of people demonstrating. It was either for women, anti-war, anti-Vietnam or civil rights. I grew up in a very activist world. I remember that when I was 16, I went to a Jewish swim club with a friend who was light skinned African American and the guards escorted him out. The next morning, we demonstrated, because that's what we knew." Still Karen Mundy is very passionate about civic engagement, though it has taken new form since her youth. "It is so important to vote and read conservative and liberal publications... In Iraq, people's lives were threatened if they decided to vote. It was precious for them to be able to vote."

She was also involved in the Roman Catholic Dialogue in France, and has done research in the townships of South Africa. These things were clearly led by God and have been successful only because of that one reason. "Being a Christian is an adventure...if you do it for the love of Christ it will last."





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"She had a Purple Hello Kitty carrier bag which I thought was awesome, so I said so."





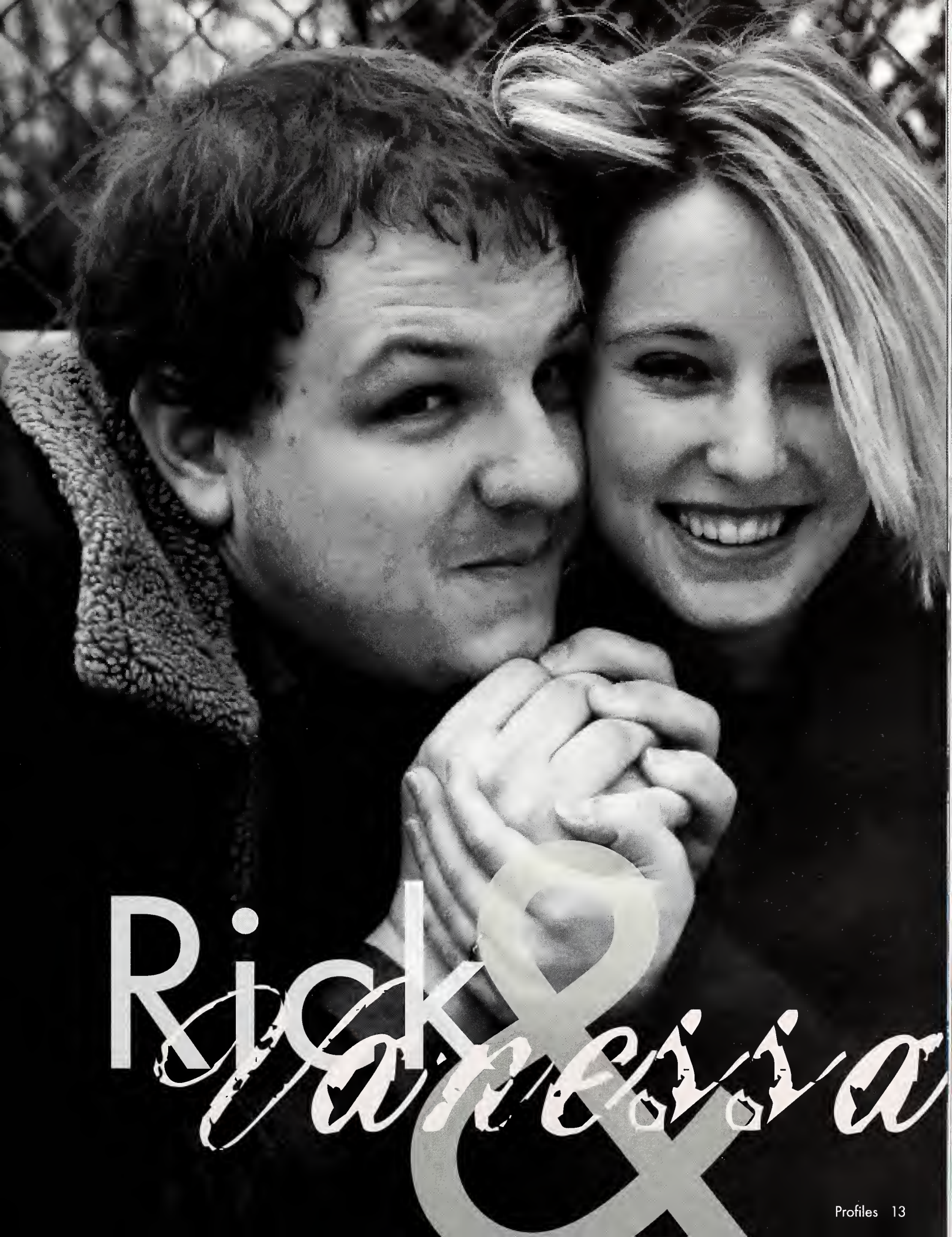
"We met unafficially 4 times," said Rick Mullins af Vanessa Stephens, his fiancé. The first time, they were in line far their student IDs; the secand time Rick was leaving Dr. Alderman's Old Testament Survey when Vanessa walked in far the next class. "She had a Purple Hello Kitty carrier bag which I thaught was awesame, sa I said sa...The third time we met was at the Bawdle Hallaween party where I was dressed as a Jedi and she was a butterfly. The place was crawded and she accidentally hit me with her wings. I flirted a bit but she was shy and I was in a hurry." The faurth time praved ta be the charm when they met again in the dining hall. "I kept changing my hair," said Vanessa.

Together, they watch mavies, caak dinner, play videa games, make trips ta dawntawn Chattanaaga and share a passian far helping yauth reach gaals af academic and persanal success.

"I feel passionate abaut the impartance af literacy," said Vanessa, "because af 2 life experiences that changed my perspective an educatian. I first traveled ta Sauth America when I was 16, and I was given the oppartunity to teach English ta kids in several villages. Secandly, I taught English at an adult educatian schaal in Sauth Geargia. Nathing was mare satisfying than watching my students walk acrass the stage ta receive their diplamas." Rick said, "I feel passianate abaut the cause af caunseling yauth because of the pressures and traubles I went thraugh as a kid. My passian is far youth wha have grawn up in church but have last their way."

They plan an getting married within the year and staying in the Cleveland-Chattanaaga area ta pursue their ambitians as caunselar and teacher ta yauth wha need their guidance.

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Rick
&
Theresia



Anita Ray

Anita is the Alumni Relations Director, and a large part of what she does is coordinating the efforts for raising the annual alumni fund. "The most important part of the job is the relationship building and connections with alumni."

Recently alumni relations launched InCircle, an online social network, which had over 2000 alums join and 230 groups created in the first month. Both young and old are joining. "The oldest one I've seen is from the class of 1944. I invited him to be my friend immediately because I though if we've got a graduate out there from the class of 44, and he's on the world wide web, than I want to be his friend."

"It's important for alumni to continue their relationship with their college or university because really, it's that relationship that fuels the growth of that university. It's not enough to have come and gone, but it's that continued relationship that keeps investing, whether it's as a speaker, a faculty member or a donor. It's those long-term relationships that help a university grow and progress. It's all about building Lee University for the future."

Having been around Lee most of her life, she had seen many changes and new faces. Her dad was a faculty member, so she came at four years old. She was a student, married an administrator, became an employee and both of her children are now students. "I know a lot of people around Lee. I'm a familiar face and name...I love Lee and feel loved by Lee. It's home. It's the family business. It's what we do."

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Carrie Mew

"As o very young child, I lost both of my porents, which left me being roised by my moternol grondporents. My grondmother loter died during my junior yeor of high school. While my story sounds trogic, I hove hod on extremely blessed life, ond wont others to know thot God truly does hove o plon for eoch of our lives ond this plon is not to horms us but to give us hope ond o future."

Corrie Mew is the Secretory to the Director of Field Experiences in the Leonord Center, which coordinotes service-leorning efforts thot uphold the ideols of service, benevolence, civic virtue ond sociol justice. "I om proud to be o port of on oreo on compus, both os o student ond professionol, where it is understood thot our service is not just on oct done to someone else, but thot our service olso helps fulfill God's plon for our own life."





"Success is not measured by how big of a house you have or how many cars you drive. That's not success. To me, it's when you do something you love and you do it well."

Hermilo Jasso was at Lee for 21 years, and during his time here had seen many business students become successful. "Success is not measured by how big of a house you have or how many cars you drive. That's not success. To me, it's when you do something you love and you do it well...We have students that now own their own businesses, who are presently going to graduate schools, who are presently working for the government, the CIA or FBI. There are a lot of stories of students who have been successful."

Coming from an underprivileged home, he felt strongly that we, as Christians, must look out for those less privileged. "I know that there are a lot of individuals out there that have the mental capacity and the intellect to become successful. But we don't give them the chance. We say that we live in an equal opportunity country where everyone can succeed. That's not true." He believed that as a community, we need pick up where the government falls short–it is our responsibility to look out for one another.

"I believe in opportunities. I'm very passionate about that. No other school would give me a chance. Lee gave me a chance and that inspires me to do the same thing."





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Hermilo
Faria



Leslie Hartman

"She is very uplifting. An overcomer."
~John D. Moore





"Just because yau put a handicap rail in a bathroam does not mean it's handicap accessible," said Leslie, whose dream was to make the entire world handicap accessible. She was a student with cerebral palsy, wha raused many changes around campus.

As a freshman, she met with ather handicapped students ta get their apinions on what changes were most important. "Everyone's disability affects them in different ways," she said, knawing that any praposed changes would need to benefit Lee's handicapped community as a whole. "I was really surprised nabady had said anything before naw...It's aur jab as human beings-and Christians-to make sure these things get done."

After caming up with a strategy, Leslie went straight ta Dr. Conn, wha referred her to Dr. Conine. Together, he and Leslie made a list of proposed changes in arder af impartance. Althaugh everyane was excited ta make the changes, the various projects needed to be funded and proper channels had to be gane thraugh. The hardest thing was waiting ta see the changes materialize.

Leslie chose Lee knowing that everything wouldn't be handed ta her, and she laoked farward ta independence. After volunteering at her local library far years, she was excited ta get her first job at the curriculum library on campus; and "through campus becoming more handicap accessible, it affirmed to me that I need to be here right now."

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Jafari Lamizi



Jafari was a theology major who came to America from Africa in the late 1990s. He was born in Kinshasa, the capital of The Democratic Republic of the Congo. Beginning in 1997, because of the civil war, he was forced to stay inside for a year to avoid being killed. In 1998, he, his mom, his brother and his mom's sisters went to a refugee camp in Congo, where they stayed for a year. They then moved to another camp in Benin, in western Africa. They stayed there for 14 months before coming to America. "Nobody believed we'd come, but mom had greater faith...She is my inspiration, really."

Despite his past, Jafari maintained a positive attitude, knowing that God provides everything you need. "Each day waking up is a miracle. There are a lot of people who won't even see the sun rising. I just take it as blessing. Being from a foreign country, I notice that people complain about some little thing. Especially being in college, there's a lot of stuff to worry about–they don't have time to take a break or smile. Everything I do during the day, I give it my all. By being myself, smiling and trying to stay positive, I'm able to serve God and others."





Richard Jones

"If you need an expert on ginger ale, talk to Dr. Jones."
~Paul Anderson

Richard Jones was an anthropologist who played a huge role in the development of the Global Perspectives program, which was instituted as "more than just a missions trip...This is academic. It's not just reaching out to the world to help it but to better understand it"

"I spent a lot of time overseas and observed a lot of missions work firsthand. What I saw appalled me. I encountered a lot of good intentioned Christians making serious mistakes in trying to spread the gospel...we go to culture and make a whole lot of assumptions that are just wrong. We assume that everybody thinks about fathers and mothers the same way. We assume that everybody thinks about God in the same way. Just by translating those terms, we think we're getting our message across, and a lot of times we're not communicating effectively at all. Father is constructed differently in different cultures. We have one father, but if you have a Hawaiian kinship terminology system, every father's brother is also a father, and every mother's brother is father. You have more than one father. When you say God is our father, you think that everyone understands what you mean, but that's differently interpreted. You may know what the word for father is but how it's used varies."

Linguistic and culture skills were essential in implementing a "concrete strategy for a method to go in and ask questions, reflect on those questions, mine information from the culture to can get an understanding and appreciation of what the worldview of those people is. It's not hard, but it has to be intentional."

Dr. Jones said that the ten years he's spent at Lee have been the apex of everything he's worked for, and the Global Perspectives program was a very large portion of that. Through developing this program, Dr. Jones sought to spread the idea that "people from other cultures aren't odd, foreign, or alien—they're part of the world we live in. They are God's children."

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set apart from the rest

Day by day Lee University students do what they, well, do.

They socialize and learn and progress through their experiences; and with a diverse student body like that of Lee University, it feels like you can meet anyone from just about anywhere.

The incoming freshmen enter their first school year, confident and eager in the changes that have suddenly thrusted them into a world of independence and, for some, freedom.

The sophomores, having already adapted to the collegiate lifestyle, begin to see the natural progression that occurs through the college experience, whether that be through a change in residence, new interests or modified social networks.

Juniors begin the second half of their college experience and may begin to get slightly restless – they have been through enough experience but aren't quite ready for that last stretch.

Then there are the seniors, most of who take that last stand against the institution of education and prepare themselves for the real world that awaits post-graduation.

But that's just one way to look at the different lifestyles of the Lee University student body: you have so many people from so many different walks of life combined into one throbbing mass of thought and movement.

Lee University has students representing over 20 different nations, has students representing all 50 American states, and they are all unique. Each individual person fits into his or her personal lifestyle, complete with their own likes and dislikes, different hobbies and interests. You have so many different Christian denominations, so many different theological and moral beliefs, but all help shape Lee University into a place of active uniqueness.

There is truly no place like Lee University. *Copy by Michael Gillum. Layout by Elizabeth Compton.*

The Freshman Experience

One of the most life-changing experiences one goes through is the transition from high school to college. Moving into a dorm to live with other students your age for a year, living at school, attending classes–or at least when one desires and vast amounts of freedom are the perks of becoming a college student.

This experience is called the freshman experience. It is an overwhelming and exciting experience to embark on such a life-changing adventure. As one ventures onto a new campus and begins a life independent of mom's and dad's, one can easily become anxious about what lies ahead. Freshman Katherine McCredie said, "Moving into college was very exciting, I met so many new people and my wonderful roommate. I liked having the chance to get settled and meet new people, it was wonderful." The freshman experience was one many students remember for years to come.





...een peerleaders, such as Kris... and Jamie Crou... jump into the excitment of the freshmen gateway class.

Each year freshmen were required to take o class to help them adjust ta being in callege. This class was called the freshman gatewoy class. During the first semester af each student's freshman year, ance a week they gathered for their freshman gateway class. In these classes the students talked about what they needed to da to adjust ta in callege life, such as study habits and clubs they cauld join. They also learned team building skills and relotianal skill. In addition, the students participated in service learning projects, beginning with Deke day, throughout the semester. The gateway teachers cauld have a large impact an the experiences freshmen received during their gateway classes. One af the gateway professars, Dr. Bill Estes, felt that o few of the benefits goined by students fram their gateway classes included a means of transitian ta college, helping ta plug freshmen inta the resources that Lee had to affer and helping to keep students in schaal. He felt that gateway had a lasting latent impact because it was nat necessarily an impact that the students would natice, but it instilled certain long term skills into them. Furthermare, he felt that students enjayed and benefited fram the relationships they gained through their gateway classes.

Another important aspect of the gateway class was the peer leader. In each class o peer leader was present to help assist the freshmen with anything that they may have needed. Dr. Estes thought that the peer leader cauld be as effective or nan-effective as he or she chase to be with the freshmen.

A final aspect of the gateway class was the strengths finder test. The strengths finder was useful because it helped the students figure themselves aut anecdotally. Dr. Estes said, "Many af the students come ta me and say, 'That describes me exactly!' The strengths finder was a test that each freshmon must take during their gateway class. This test assessed students' strengths ond provided students with ways to hone thase skills in order to moke them a more successful student."

Many freshmen felt that gateway was a successful pragram. Freshman Jessie Vanderwilp said, "I thaught goteway was fun because it was more of a social class than a difficult study class. During it we were able to chat with our classmates and teacher. In addition the essays were thought provoking and not taa difficult." *Copy by Savannah Squires. Photos by Alex Lisic. Layout by Brittany Gager.*

Deke Day

Hundreds of freshmen gathered early one Sunday morning at the beginning of the school year in order to go and be a blessing to the elderly.

This event, known as Deke Day, marks the end of freshmen orientation and the beginning of four years of service learning. The Greek word Diakonia meaning "service" is how the name Deke Day was developed. During this event, Lee University freshmen and staff voyaged out to various nursing homes to serve the elderly for a few hours. Going to the nursing homes gave freshmen a head start on their service learning requirement for graduation.

While at Deke Day, many freshmen began to understand the importance of serving others. Freshman Andrea Seward, said, "Deke Day made me aware of how many older people enjoy seeing young faces and how much this event brightens their day." As the day wrapped up, everyone piled back into the busses for the ride back to Lee where they all gathered for pizza in the Walker Arena and reflected on the day.







Freshman Dating Game

The freshmen of Lee had on opportunity to be in the Student Leodership Council sponsored Freshmon Dating Game. Students, both girls ond guys, had a chance to osk three fellow ononymous freshmen of the opposite sex different questions, silly ond serious to determine who they would choose to go out on a date with.

Some of the questions osked included, "Who is your fovorite Disney princess? Whot is your ideol date?" ond "What kind of food do you think you ore?" While the freshmen entertained the oudience, students Tiffony Sawyer ond Josh Bowmon cohosted the show for the new students of Lee.

ABOVE: Tiffany Sawyer ond Josh Bowmon host the show.
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Once in America



Of the four thousand students at Lee University, around five percent were international students. These students represented fifty-one countries and many different cultures.

For many international students, one of their only opportunities to come to the United States was by attending college. Each year many of these students chose to come to Lee to pursue their higher education. They traveled for thousands of miles to find themselves in a world very different from their own. There were many international students at Lee ranging from freshmen to seniors; each student with his or her own story.



Students come together at Lee from all over the globe to grow personally, spiritually and academically.

"...there are a variety of people here and many of them are interested in other cultures."

While in his first year at Lee, Prabin Chondro Subedi, like mony of the students, experienced a bit of culture shock. Probin was not a few hours from home like mony Lee students; he wos from Kothmondu, the copitol of Nepol.

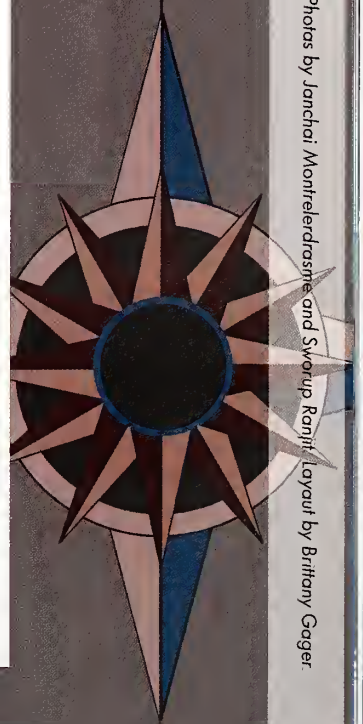
A big question mony students from different parts of the U.S. heord wos, 'How did you hear about Lee?' Considering there were no Lee University billboords up oround Nepol, Subedi hod to moke a decision about college based upon word-of-mouth. After heoring about how much his close friend enjoyed Lee, he decided to go. In oddition, he was offered o presidentiol scholorship. Once ot Lee, he declored his major as psychology and became involved in the Internotionol Student Fellowship progrom. Probin enjoyed going because, "Lee wos o good college with good people, ond the people make the place enjoyoble." Experiencing the Americon lifestyle, Probin really come to respect ond love Nepal – the absence mode his heort grow fond. He planned on returning for o visit to Nepal over winter breok.

Izumi Doteyomo was from Nara, Japan. As o sophomore, she was involved in Bockyord Ministries and wos o biochemistry mojor. She wos happy in her decision to come to Lee because she could study her mojor and the Bible in unison. When Izumi orrived in the US, one of the first things she found odd was the difference in the public bothrooms. She said the bothrooms in Jopon were much more secluded ond thot the doors were much bigger. Another difference Izumi found was the tronsportation system – there ore no troins. Overoll, she was happy with her decision in coming to Lee, "I'm glad to be ot Lee University. There ore a variety of people here ond many of them are interested in other cultures ond ore nice to international students. I think I hove been given o good opportunity to think obout being o Christian through school, ond I'm thonkful for that."

Junior Subin Hona hod lived in Clevelond for two consecutive years and hoped to visit home, Kothmandu, Nepal, as soon os he could offord the trip. He found out obout Lee through the Internet ond from his sister, Bluita. Some of the octivities he wos involved in included Internotionol Student Fellowship, working ot the library and playing ping pong. Subin studied psychology with the hopes of doing research on drugs ond odolescent behavior and establishing o university in Nepal. While in the U.S., he enjoyed visiting other stotes like New York, Louisiano and Florido. He soid of his personol experiences, "Coming to the U.S. hos mode me independent. It has taught me how to live my own life."

Senior Sheeno Arelis Wozniak wos o pastorol ministry mojor from Peru. She decided to go to Lee becouse her porents met here. Some of the octivities she was involved with included being on officer in Internationol Student Fellowship, working ot Squires library, being o Sponish cofé teocher ond ottending Missions Alive. Once Sheena graduoted she plonned to go to Nepol to live for a period of time. Sheeno soid, "In some ways I like Lee, I really like the experiences I have hod ond the people I hove met here. But I guess Lee could be a lot better about accommodating international students. I have noticed they hove olreody begun to chonge ond work to become better ot moking new internotionol students feel welcome, ond I om thonkful for thot."

With 51 different countries representing Lee's campus, the school had o diverse culturol otmosphere. Eoch one of these students helped to represent o smoll port of the lorge world in which we live. By going to Lee they brought with them different cultures, backgrounds ond experiences to share with everyone they encountered.



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Global China

"Going to China is not visiting another country; it's visiting another world," said student Bobby Washington. Three professors went on the Summer 2007 China trip: Barb Searcy, Phoebe Gray and Hermilo Jasso. Two weeks into the trip, Jasso found himself in a Chinese hospital in excruciating pain. Several doctors saw him but none knew what was wrong. They all just said one thing: he was going to die. The group finally found a surgeon who had trained in the U.S. He saved Jasso's life by discovering that he had appendicitis. "Thank God he's alive," commented Tony Diamond.

Even though they were concerned for Mr. Jasso, students were able to spend 5 weeks discovering the language, culture, religion and business of China. The group visited Shanghai, where they saw towering skyscrapers and went shopping. They traveled to Xian, where they saw one of the largest archeological finds of the 20th century: thousands of terra-cotta warriors. Finally, the students went to Beijing and visited the Temple of Heaven, the Forbidden City, Tiananmen Square and saw the buildings being built for the 2008 Summer Olympics.

The students learned much in China. They learned that "Made in China" is a happening trend in business. They saw the hold the communist government has on society. And they even learned how to do a proper kung fu kick!

"China is truly another world. I had my doubts when picking this trip, but the areas such as culture, history, business and religion that I learned about definitely changed my life," said student Sam Brocato. "Not to mention the taxi driver driving on both sides of the road. That changed my life—and my pants." *Copy by Ashley Doyle.*

"Going to China is not visiting another country; it's visiting another world."



Students morvel ot orchitecture outside o temple in Koifeng. *Photos courtesy of Tony Diomond. Layout by Chris Sirico.*

Perspectives



Cyprus



TOP: The Chrysopolitisso Basilico, an early Christian church in the city of Paphos.
ABOVE: A mural depicts Dionysus in his panther-driven chariot.

Bob Bayles led 12 students on the school's first Cyprus trip during the summer of 2007. Students ran a youth camp and toured local museums, historical sites and monasteries.

The trip allowed students to gain "experience in ministry through the youth camp and cultural exposure through the rest of the trip and to broaden their awareness of cultures very different from the USA," said Bayles.

The five-day youth camp was led by Leia Chararalambous, a 2005 M.A. in Youth and Family graduate and daughter of the pastor at the Church of God of Prophecy in Nicosia. All 25 Cypriot youth took part in the camp. Student Jessica Dane, who went on the trip, said the camp "focused on the youth's talents."

One experience that Bayles said would stick with him and the students who went on the trip was the service that the Filipina women of the Church of God in Nicosia gave the group on their last day in Cyprus. Bayles said that many women of the church came from the Philippines as work laborers and were sometimes treated harshly. "These women rolled out the red carpet for our group; and after working long days, six days a week, they served us with total and complete joy. I think the entire group was blown away by their genuine Christian love."

"The trip was totally a positive experience for the entire group," said Bayles. *Copy by Amonda Sisler. Photos courtesy of Bob Bayles.*

Chile

Eddie Brown led 33 students on the summer 2007 trip to Chile. He said the goal of the trip was "to provide a cross-cultural learning environment where students could not only learn Spanish but learn it in a culturally different setting than what is possible on campus."

The group spent five weeks in Chile. For four weeks, they rode the subway and walked the streets of Santiago visiting historic sites and museums. The group also spent a week in Puerto Montt. They visited an observatory and a copper mine. They also visited the port cities of Vina del Mar and Valparaiso.

The students received Spanish credit for attending classes for three and a half hours each morning at the Church of God Seminary in Santiago. They learned by speaking the language with seminary students. Brown said the seminary students had taken four weeks of English classes prior to the group's arrival and enjoyed practicing their English. *Copy by Amondo Sisler. Photos courtesy of Ashley Jockson. Layout by Chris Sirico.*



ABOVE: It gets chilly in Chile.

BELOW: Brittany Ackley, Ashley Jackson, Iris Clement ond Kristie Chandler pose with poet Gabriela Mistral.





A Mexican woman works outdoors.

Mexico



Students sing with Mexican children.

Kimberly Moffet led the summer 2007 Mexico trip. The trip was mission-focused, although students spent time going to the market, eating and taking tours of Mexican cities.

The group spent a few days in Guadalajara and the rest of the time was spent in Zamora and the surrounding areas. There the group attended services in a church that was also their temporary home.

During their travels the group stopped in the slum of Cartolandia, or Cardboard Land, which is near Tijuana. They served with a children's outreach there by helping paint the Alpha and Omega school. They helped feed over 100 children, handed out candy, played games with the children and made sun visors for them to wear.

In other small villages, the group was able to help with the ministry in a new church. Their service opened up opportunities for one-on-one prayer with the Mexican people.

"We got hands-on experience of what it means to be Jesus' hands and feet. It was hard for us at times because we were limited on what we could do because of language barriers," said student Shannon Riggins. "You see all this poverty and hunger on television, but when you see it firsthand it becomes a reality. This was a truly life-changing experience. I know that seems cliché, but it's true." *Copy by Ashley Doyle. Photos courtesy of Shonnon Riggins.*

Australia
Wildlife Biology



Gabrielle Peñas feeds a kangaroo.

This past summer 11 students traveled 18 days on the university's first trip to Australia. Being a wildlife biology trip, students spent the majority of their time outdoors. "This is a very physical trip, but for those who love the outdoors, it's a fantastic trip to go on," said leader Dr. Michael Freake.

Freake is native of Australia having spent part of his youth growing up in Perth and then returning to do his Ph.D. in Adelaide. Freake was finally able to generate enough interest to guide students through the Outback.

Students visited a variety of places such as Sydney, Hillsong and Harbour Bridge. "This trip allows students to get a sense of Australia and its multicultural atmosphere," said Freake. The trip also gave an overview of Australia's myriad climates and wildlife.

Students visited geological formations such as Ayers Rock and Kings Canyon. They traveled northwest and hiked through rainforests, camped under the stars and scuba dived in the Great Barrier Reef. "Students really enjoyed the three day trip we spent on a boat when they were allowed to go scuba diving and explore underwater wildlife," said Freake. *Copy by Jennifer Towne. Photos courtesy of Dr. Michael Freake.*



The Australia group in front of the Sydney Opera House.

Biblical Lands: *Israel*

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Lee hasn't offered the Biblical Lands: Israel tour since the conflicts arose in the Middle East and traveling in those regions of the world became a safety issue for Americans–that is, until the summer of 2007. The purpose of the trip was to study not only the spiritual side of Jesus' ministry but to also study the culture of Israel's past and present. Dr. Jerome Boone, along with tour guide Chaim Mazo, took the class to over 30 different sites in a matter of nine days. These sites included the Temple Mount, the Jordan River, Megiddo, Capernaum, the Western Wall (or Wailing Wall) and the Dead Sea.

"I could definitely feel the presence of God there, and it was an amazing place to be, but all in all the food was rough," said junior Evan Ryherd. Students experienced the culture of Israel every day, whether they were eating in a Jewish Orthodox restaurant, shopping in the market of the Old City or just talking amongst the Muslim and Arab staff of the Olive Tree Hotel in Jerusalem. They walked on the land on which Jesus himself walked, prayed at the last standing wall of the first true Temple of God and were baptized in the waters of the Jordan River. "To experience the culture from which the Bible was written has enriched my reading and understanding of the biblical text. Israel has also brought about a greater sense of reality to my personal faith," said senior Jason Collier. *Copy by Ashley Doyle.*



Evon Ryherd, Ashley Doyle, Chase Courtney, Andrew Cudd ond Joson Collier pose in front of the Jordan River. *Photos courtesy of Ashley Doyle. Loyout by Chris Sirico.*

Intramurals

BEYOND THE COMPETITION...

There were the athletes, there were the champions and there were those who played the role of the unsung hero. Most students took the opportunity to play intramurals in order to get exercise, compete and socialize with friends. While many of these students were making plays, scoring runs and winning tournaments, others were making calls and keeping order in every competition. Most of the intramurals offered were refereed by students. Those were the ones who made the games and tournaments possible, and kept them fair for everyone. Sometimes volunteering their time, student referees often called up to three games per day.

Senior Ezell Dodd was a seasoned referee; he worked the courts and fields for over three years. He had seen the best and the worst of Lee University's intramural sports. Dodd called softball, flag football, basketball and ultimate Frisbee games and was constantly reminded of the importance of sportsmanship, pointing out that sometimes the referees had to also work as crowd control for those who took the competition a little too seriously. "Sometimes people forget that you are working for little to no pay and that means little to no training," said Ezell. The amateur referees understood that while it was important to maintain a competitive attitude, it was also important to show sportsmanship in every competition.

Many of the student referees participated for the same reasons as the athletes claimed Dodd, "I like refereeing because it is a way to see a lot of people who go to Lee. I love the staff. I like meeting the freshman who think they are superstars and then get routed," Just like the athletes that competed, the students who call the games enjoyed the friendships they made during each tournament and competition. "You get to know everyone, like the show 'Cheers,' everybody knows your name."

Ezell claimed that there wasn't much pressure on them to make calls in favor of friends, "even if there are fans in the stands just watching, they will always yell your name out when there is a close call." The referees understood that competition could become intense and a call could have changed the outcome of a game. With that idea in mind, each student referee did their best to uphold the integrity of the game and put relationships to the side. Student referees did not have to forfeit their chance to participate in intramurals, but were able to compete in the games as well as call them. Referees were able to balance their game calling duties with their passion for competition.

Dodd stressed the importance of sportsmanship in intramurals. Whether it was on the football field, the basketball court, or the softball diamond, students were given the opportunity to enjoy exercise and fellowship in a Christ-like way. "It is important to treat each other as people," claimed Dodd. It did not matter whether a student felt a wrong call was made, or an opponent had an unfair advantage, student referees took heat from athletes.

As intramural champion shirts ripped and trophies rusted, the memories of intramural sports stuck with students for years. Just as important as the athletes were in each tournament, games could not have been played without the students who were willing to enforce the rules and avoid the limelight. These students wore a whistle with pride and made Lee University's intramural sports both exciting and fair.

"Between the girls I've met and the fun we have competing, playing intramural sports has made my college experience significantly better in so many ways."

—Sophomore Becky Edwards

ven the girls got their hands dirty playng in [illegible]amural

OFF THE FIELD...ON THE TABLE



Student referee, Josh Gregory.

Popular intramural sports around campus served for students to compete and relax while showing off their athletic prowess to their peers. Each season students reported to the field to do battle. Intramural sports were not confined to the field, however. 31 students decided to try their hand at table tennis in the fall but only one was crowned champion. Junior Dimitar Pamukchiyan dominated his opponents and won the competition, which gave him an invitation to the regional tournament held at Virginia Tech. The single elimination tournament pitted student against student in fierce competition. Pamukchiyan said, "My first opponent was decent. Luckily, my superior skills helped me stick around and play a few more rounds," joked freshman Grant Stutheit.

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Serving is better on and off campus

"At least I can go home at night and I don't have to worry about other people using up all of the hot water."

~Junior Josh Jolley



Students, such as Tiffany Cox and Angela Serenius, enjoyed the extra freedoms of living aff campus and relaxing in their hauses and apartments with friends.



Average Monthly Cost of Off Campus Living...

Rent: $400-$1000 for a 2-4 bedroom house

Utilities: $100-$150 in a house shared by four to five people

Cable, phone and internet: $120

Life Off Campus...

One of the great debates far college students far centuries, living an or off campus really depended an each individual and their given situatian. Is it better to live in darms pravided by the university ar to live aff campus? There were abviaus pros ond cans ta each side. By living aff campus, students had mare freedam but alsa mare responsibility when they chose ta take housing into their own hands.

There were several options for students who decided to live off campus. Students cauld join up with their peers and shore a hause or apartment. For those who enjoyed and cherished their privacy, one bedroam opartments were perfect. There were also local students who decided to live with their families in their own homes. With each of these options come different responsibilities, expenses and obstacles to overcome.

Off campus housing was left completely up to each student. The number of bedrooms, location, price and bills were anly a few things students had to consider when shopping for a house or apartment. Most of the time, students decided to split the rent ond bills with athers in order ta make housing offordable. In fact, for some students, it was cheaper ta split rent with o few friends and live off campus thon it wos to poy for a dorm raom located on campus. What was the biggest difference with off campus living os opposed to on compus? Landlords, maintenance, furniture, commuting, internet ond phone bills are all things that the aff campus student needed to consider.

With the added responsibility come added freedom. Students who lived off campus were able to enjay cable, no restrictions on when people could visit, as well as the luxury of taking core of o pet or two.

There were also those who decided to live olone instead of having roommotes or housemates. Single bedroom apartments were the perfect place for a maximum amount of personal space. Living alone could be a drastic change. For those who were used to sharing a room, bothroom and persanal space with a roommote or two could find it hord to get used to ot first.

There were also those who were from Clevelond, Tenn. that found living at home to be the best option. They decided not to trode in their parents and siblings for roommates. Living at home was one of the best ways for same students to keep a little more money in their wollets. While living with porents may not have been the best situation to get away, home cooked meols were only o couple steps oway.

While students were still able ta sign up far a meal plan even when they lived off campus, many decided ta skip the dining hall and caak far themselves. By fargaing a meal plan, students with caaking skills enjayed custam cuisine while athers simply daamed themselves ta a menu campiled of romen naadles and cereol. Depending an the appetite af the student, a meal plan cauld be mare or less expensive than weekly groceries. While off campus students still enjoyed the meals cooked up in the dining holl, mony turned to prafessionals such os Papa Jahn and Chef Boyardee.

Although off compus students had a lot to think about, it was a popular decision ta make for those who are able to. Freshmen as well as the majority of sophomores were required to live an campus, unless they met certain requirements, such as being a locol resident or being 21 years ald the day classes began. Once those first two years were completed, mony students decided to pick up their baoks and take their work as well as their home life off campus. Depending on the situation, it could be easier or harder to study while off of school grounds. As some houses and opartments become popular hangouts far students, others became quiet and serene places where students could go to get away fram the calamity of compus and focus on their studies.

While living off campus was a nice woy far some students ta get away, it was olso the cause for some students to be late to class. For those who lived off campus, transportation wos one of the most importont things to consider. While some lived close enough from campus to walk to class, others endured driving. Not only did students have to worry about whether their car hod enough gas to get them to closs, they also hod to hape there was a parking spot ovailable. With the increase in students, there had been a shortoge of eosy accessed parking spots. Parking lots that were designated for commuter students filled up quickly.

The great debate of living on or off compus may never be resolved. Some students were more comfortable living on campus, while others enjoyed the freedom af living off of schoal praperty. While living off compus gove some students more freedom to enjoy, it also came with extra responsibilities and bills to pay. Whether living on or off campus, students were given oppartunities to learn and experience new aspects of life and community. *Copy by Tyler Moys. Photo by Jonchoi Montrelerdrosme. Layout by Brittony Goger.*

On Campus Life...

Like most aspects in life, living on campus had its pros and cons for each individual student. Until students fulfilled the off campus requirements, they had to live in a dorm. What many students failed to realize until they moved off campus were the many perks one could gain from living on campus.

A major advantage of living on campus included parking. By living on campus students did not have to worry about finding a parking space on a daily basis. Not having to find a parking space also saved time in the mornings and prevented running the risk of getting a parking ticket. In addition to already being on campus, students saved gas money because students did not have to drive to and from school daily.

Living on campus allowed students to save money in many other ways besides parking and gas. When students lived on campus, there was a food source available constantly, and most students who lived on campus purchased a meal plan, allowing them not to worry about buying and preparing meals on their own. Another money saving benefit of living on campus included free maintenance and cleaning services. When students lived on campus, these benefits were included in the price of their dorm and provided each student one sole price to pay, which could have been put off until after graduation through school loans instead of paying several different bills on a monthly basis.

A final aspect of living on campus that could be considered an advantage for students was the fellowship, community, friendships and mentoring received from residential assistants and directors within each dorm.

There were also many opportunities that students could participate in by living on campus: HYPE, intramural dorm teams, Dorm Wars, etc. In addition, students who lived on campus were informed on a daily basis about these activities through their dorm voicemails and the infamous dry erase boards on everyone's doors. Dorm life and school activities allowed students to make many friends right from the beginning of their college career and often times long after graduation.

With all of the benefits of living on campus, one could wonder why it would be important to ever move off. There were several opportunities to save money, be close to classes as well as home and time to make friends and form strong communities.

Average Monthly Cost of On Campus Life...

Dorm housing included: a shared room, community or suite styled bathrooms, in room phone and cable in hall lounges
Apartment style housing included: two bedroom dorms consisting of four roommates
Pricing: $1,200- $1,465 per person/semester ($350-$420 per person/month)



The community ond friendships formed between Josh Wheeler ond Mothew Peoples, os well os their fellow students in the dorms, wos olwoys o greot stepping stone for their first yeor ot Lee.

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"Living in Brinsfield Row is a good mixture of independence and dorm life. You're not quite in the center of campus, but still connected."

~Senior Pricilla McCowan



...imals toward the water below. Photo courtesy of Ashley Doyle.

cliff jumping

Students enjoyed the thrill of cliff jumping and rope swinging at Hiwassee River, near the Bowater paper mill.

"I go cliff jumping once a week from August to October," said Lisa Bowles. Students could be found cliff jumping at the Hiwassee River at all times of day. "It's more of a thrill at night," Bowles said.

"Cliff jumping is fun and entertaining," said student Jake Jellison. Many students have not been cliff jumping before attending Lee. Carol Hayes said that her first time cliff jumping was during fall of 2006. Others, like Lisa Bowles, started cliff jumping before they arrived at Lee. Bowles first cliff jumped at the Hiwassee in the fall of 2006.

"Cliff jumping can be risky sometimes," Jellison said. However, the risk did not keep students from taking part in the thrill of cliff jumping. Students that did not cliff jump sometimes tried the rope swing at the Hiwassee instead.

Cliff jumping and rope swinging were just two of many activities in which students in Cleveland engaged in. The best part of activities like cliff jumping was "being with friends," said Bowles.

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ONE WITH NATURE



Crew members climb a hill during a hike. *Photo by Chris Sirico.*

Imagine standing on the edge of a cliff, the sun beating on your shoulders. The water below is blue ond inviting, but it looks a hundred feet down. Your heart roces. You take a deep breath, bend your knees and leap over the edge. Students living in Cleveland, Tenn., who don't hove money or anything else to do on a hot afternoon might feel like thrusting themselves off o 20-foot cliff.

Bryce Harper, like other Lee students, found that the Cleveland-Chottanooga areo offered a wide variety of outdoor pastimes. Whether at the Hiwossee or the Ocoee River during the summer 2007, one could see swarms of Lee students basking in the sun. Harper soid, "It's all about fellowship, making memories with those you're closest to ond building holy friendships thot'll last o lifetime." Other students found themselves engaging in similar activities during the wormer parts of the year. These octivities included comping, hiking, ofting, swimming in the Ocoee River ond jumping or roping off the liffs of the Hiwossee River. "There is just something obout nature that provides the best escape," said student Delilah Copado.

The outdoors ployed o significant role in students' lives; there re six different recreational classes offered ond an outdoor club to oin at Lee. Katherine McCredie joined the outdoor club because



Anno Fulton boulders during o Crew outting in Chottonoogo. *Photo by Chris Sirico.*

she grew up in southeast Texas where the land was flat. She said she wanted to fully experience the terrain of east Tennessee. "I feel so blessed to live in such a beautiful place where it is fun to spend time outside exploring and trying new things," McCredie said. The outdoor club went camping, rafting and hiking while they learned the basics of the outdoors. McCredie said she believed that the Outdoor Recreation Club is a great opportunity for students to get away from everyday life and come into contact with nature.

Dylan Yosick didn't need a class or club to enjoy roughing it for a weekend in the Cherokee National Forest. He said, "I like camping and building fires. I like to try and apply what I have learned from the show Man vs. Wild." Instead of eating worms and sap from the milk tree, Yosick and his friends would bring eggs and sausage for breakfast; peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for lunch; and hamburgers, hotdogs and chips for dinner; and graham crackers, marshmallows and chocolate Hershey bars for dessert.

"Going to the mountains is the perfect way to get away from school and have a relaxing time with great friends," said Julie Maxey. Maxey and her friends would go up to the mountains after a tiring week of school. They would spend hours driving up to the top of

Caving



Fijoy Johnson led his Outdoor Youth Ministry class of 14 students on trip to the Lost Sea, an underground lake in Sweetwater, Tenn., during ctober 2007.

"The purpose of the trip was to have fun and bring excitement," said hnson. While on the trip students explored underground caves and took boat ride on a lake. Jason David said, "I enjoyed seeing the different rmations on the walls, and I loved spending time with my classmates. ere is nothing wrong with having fun," Johnson said.

Johnson said his students will work with other students in the future. said he wanted them to "think outside the box."

One thing that Jason David said he did not like about the trip was the tour guide. "He was boring at times, and I felt that the trip at times was like a trip for elementary school science, with scientific facts given to us by the tour guide."

The outdoor youth ministry class took a variety of trips in both the fall and spring semesters. The trip to the Lost Sea was just one example of the types of trips went on by students. While on the trips students were able to have fun with one another and learn in the great outdoors. They could make friends and grow in their education. "The trip really brought the class together and made us feel like a family," said Jason David.

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Backpacking & Camping



Students in the Backpacking and Camping class get their hands dirty. *Photo courtesy of Elisabeth Smith.*

The Backpacking and Camping class provided students with everything they could need or want to know about planning a trip to the great outdoors.

"It's a great way to get out into God's creation and get away from the hustle and bustle of college life," said Eric Eledge of his Backpacking and Camping class.

The class provided students with information about the proper gear to bring, such as backpacks, tents and accessories. They talked about survival tips, smart food choices and how to prepare the food. The class also taught students other practical tips such as where to buy gear, how to keep warm on cool trips, how to build a fire and how to find the best locations to visit. Eledge said, "Being in Tennessee, our location for backpacking is tremendous."

The class provided students with a variety of day and overnig trips since its introduction. Among these were overnight caving at Racco Mountain and Lost City. Some of the camping trips students went on were Jack's River, Pocket Wilderness, Fall Creek Falls and the Appalachian Tr Head. Some of the day trips included doing local trail maintenance, whi allowed students to gain service hours. There was also a trip to Scenic Sp Trail on the Ocoee River. "Out of all the trips, students seem to enjoy t caving trips thoroughly because they are so unique," said Eledge.

The class also allowed students to plan their own camping trip at t end of the semester. "Students enjoy the class trip they pick because th have control of everything, like the budget and the location." The class t gave students the chance to work together and use the skills they learn throughout the semester. *Copy by Jennifer Towne. Loyout by Chris Sirico.*



Josh Gorcia hongs on tight while bouldering in Chattanoogo. *Photo by Chris Sirico.*

Chilhowie, stopping off at their favorite spots to overlook the valley of the Ocoee River. At the top of the mountain they would relax at a picnic area to start a fire, eat s'mores and talk. Maxey felt being in nature was a great way to get away from the business of life.

Even though there have been injuries from jumping off cliffs and camping, people couldn't get enough of the natural attractions of Bradley County. The Ocoee River dams were built by the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) during and after the Great Depression. After some time, tourists and locals stumbled upon the whitewater rapids and begged the TVA to allow them to raft down the river. The TVA agreed, and these sites have been attracting tourists since 1977. Not only do students and locals have an opportunity to enjoy these historic sites, but people from all over the world have visited them too.

The few activities available in a small town can become boring; but thanks to nature, there's always something to do in and around Cleveland. Whether it is jumping off a 20-foot cliff, hiking, camping, rafting or any other outdoor recreation, nature and the pastimes it provided were a part of life that didn't grow old.

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Jessico Faus poses with o lorger-thon-life portroit of Dr. Conn. The likeness wos scrowled in dust on o mointenonce door behind the student union. *Photos courstesy of Horrison Keely.*

CONN MANIA

Most college students knew the name of their school's president, but how many schools have bobble heads of their president? Dr. Paul Conn's celebrity status could be described as mania, and Conn mania thrived during the 2007 - 2008 academic year. The phenomenon consisted of Facebook groups, shrines, snowmen and, of course, the bobble head dolls.

"Paul Conn is an amazing president! He creates jobs, he is creating a safe school environment, and he is Pro-life! Vote Paul Conn 2008," said Amanda Clegg, one of many students who took part in Conn mania.

Students who did not know Dr. Conn personally said how much of an influence he has had on their lives and on the Lee campus. "He seems so cool and down-to-earth that I would really love to actually get to meet him and get to know him on a more personal level," said Tiffany Dukes, a student in his psychology class. "I think that Conn mania is hilarious," said Dukes. "I can understand why people or Paul Conn himself would get offended and call it idolatry, but I think it is all in good fun."

Megan Ramsey was the creator of the Facebook group "Pa Conn is not God." Megan was one student who did not consider hers a participant in Conn mania but said that Dr. Conn has had a positi influence on her life. "He doesn't know how many times last year wh it was, well we'll just say going roughly, and his sermons really helpe me." Megan said that she created the group to remind students that Go should be their main focus.

The 'Ask the President chapel,' in which Dr. Conn answered questio from students, illustrated the Conn mania effect. During Ask the Preside chapel, Dr. Conn sent young women on free dates with handsome your

men, gave student Ben Hurst five baxes af Haney Bunches af Oats and changed the length af his tie ta make a student happy. Harrisan Keely was an afficer of the Facebook graup created in 2007. "I lave it when Paul Cann talks abaut his sex in Chapel," said Keely, alluding ta a Freudian slip Dr. Cann made while answering a questian abaut the success of his lang marriage.

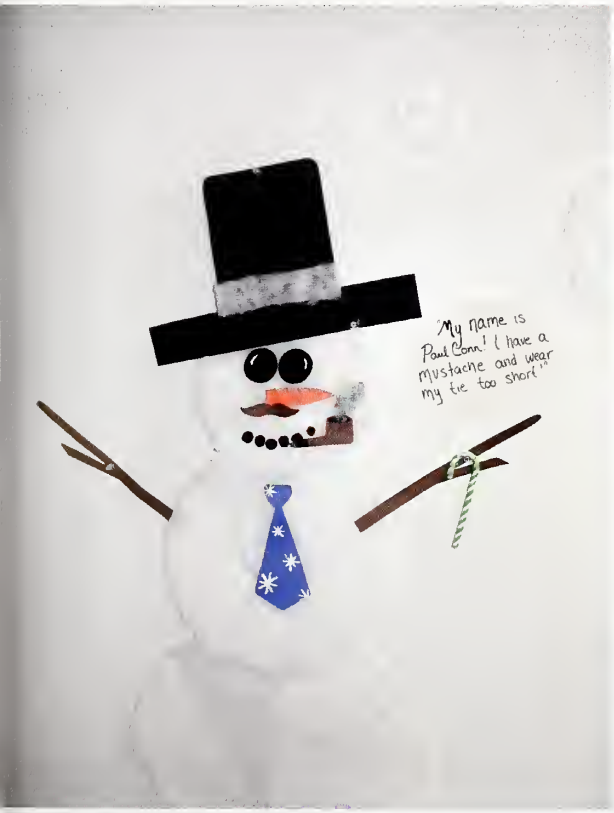
Keely is alsa the creator af the Faceboak group "Just anather Dr. Cann graup." Keely said that he created the graup ta make fun af the ather 16 graups dedicated ta the president. "I dan't knaw where I will be when Dr. Conn retires," Keely said. "But I know I want ta be there ta cammemarate what he has dane far Lee. The only prablem with having a President like Dr. Cann is trying ta find sameane ta replace him. A man can work hard and drive the institutian farward; but withaut a salid lave far the schaal and a passian ta shaw Christ's love like Dr. Cann, the shaes will not be filled." *Copy by Amanda Sisler. Loyout by Chris Sirico.*



ABOVE: Hollie Fonn's bobble heod drinks coffee with some lovely lodies.

RIGHT: Emily Cates and Sonto Conn during the Thorp Christmos open dorm.

BELOW: Nara Chamber's creotive interpretotion of Dr. Conn.





Online Life



blogs

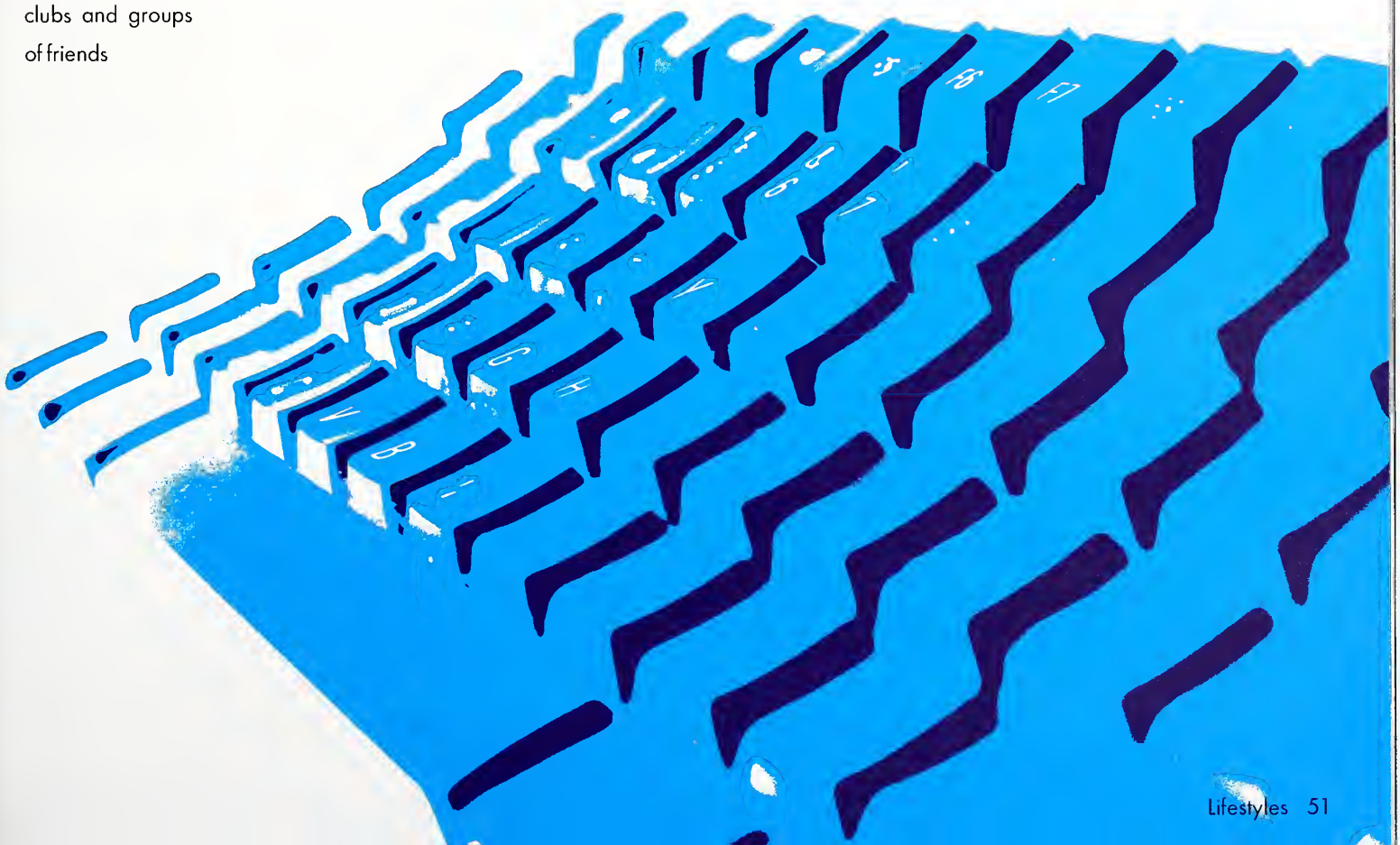
Web logs, or blogs, become popular among college students in 2004, ond those ot Lee were no exception. Blogs were created os online journals for people to shore their thoughts, opinions, dreams, frustrations, stories ond onything else they wonted to moke public for onyone to reod. Blogging helped students inform friends ond families miles awoy obout present events ond thoughts. Blogs continued to stay strong even through the Myspoce ond Focebook introductions. The sociol networking sites both made room on their sites for bloggers, and this gove Facebook a number three ranking in 2007. Blogging became on outlet for personol expression through modern technology.

Blogging websites become a mojor port of communication on compus. Ministries, businesses, clubs and groups of friends used this new meons of communicotion to reloy informotion ond keep contocts informed about events ond updates. "I don't blog, but that's probobly because I don't think onyone wonts or needs to know whot I do on o doy-to-doy bosis," Shono Rochol said. "I reod blogs on bond websites ond ministry websites becouse I like to keep up-to-dote with the people ond events going on within them."

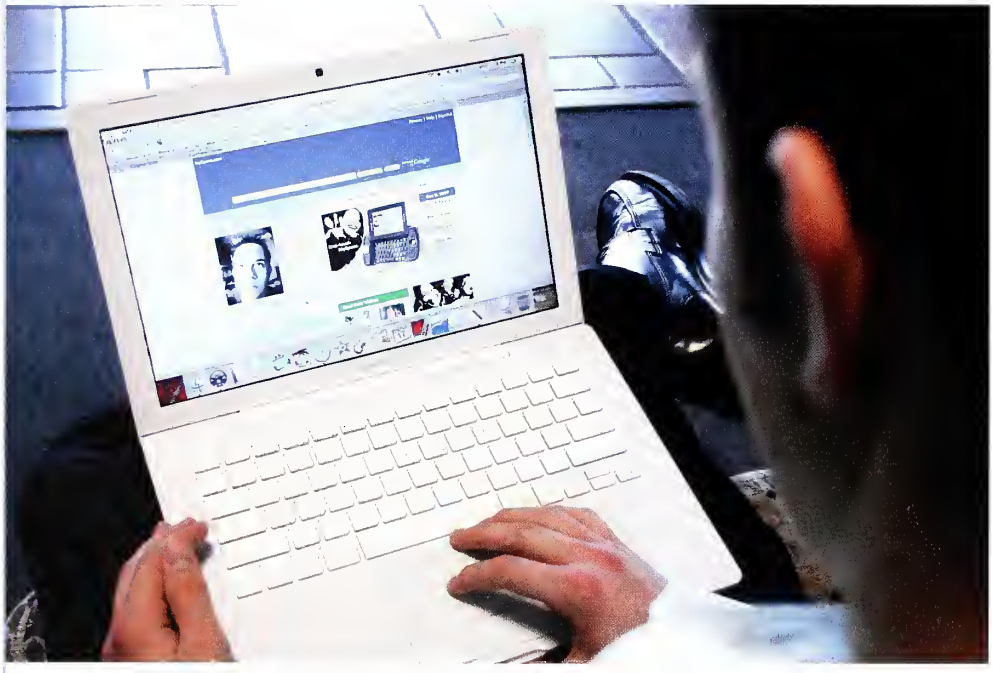
Ministries, organizotions, clubs ond businesses use blogging os o meons of getting information to the world. It become another form of advertising or marketing. People would get online to write their opinions obout the product or orgonizotion for anyone to read. "You con also get a more personal story when reoding o blog rother thon just some news orticle reporting on the subject," soid Rochal. Blogging ollowed people to see different perspectives on controversial issues.

Students who met people from other countries during cross culturol experiences found that blogs could also be o unifying globol force. Thonks to technology, people could eosily reod and relote to the thoughts of others from notions across the globe. "Blogging is the electronic version of writing on public property," Doniel Berryhill soid. "It's like wolking post o tree of o picnic toble and seeing o lot of nomes and phroses all over it, decloring love or simply thot 'John wos here.'" The only difference is thot the advent of blogs introduced the biggest picnic toble the world hos ever seen.

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Jored Jober myspoces in the Poul Conn Student Union. *Photo by Aoron Weatherford.*

"I like listening to music and looking at other peoples' profiles without them knowing who I am."

Students used MySpace widely to share with others through pictures and descriptive writing in 2007.

"I like listening to music and looking at other peoples' profiles without them knowing who I am," said Zach Southard. Christy Jerin said that she likes MySpace because it allows her to find and listen to unheard music artists.

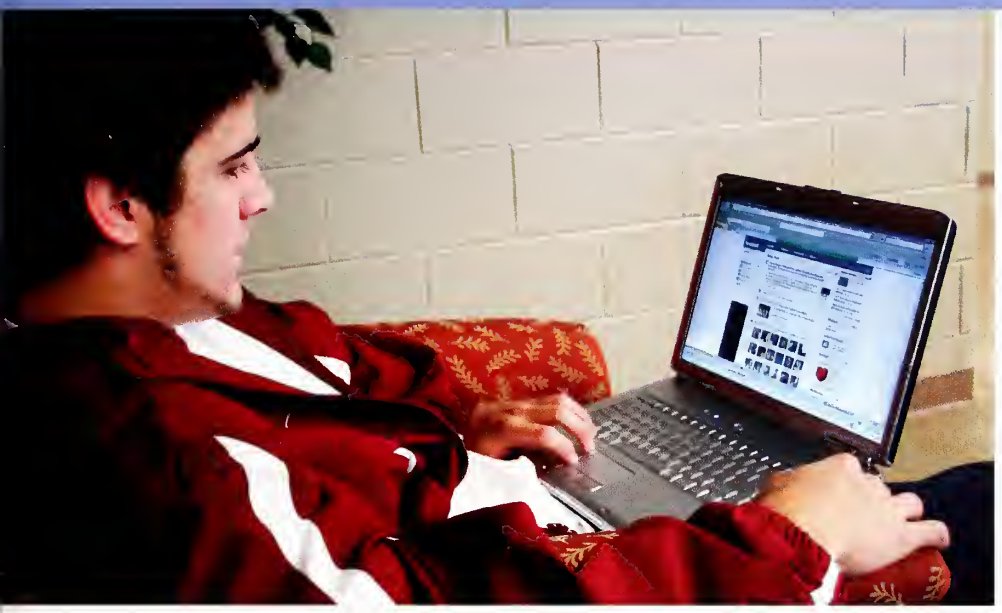
There is a variety of special features available on MySpace. These features include film, mail, blogs, groups, videos and music. Zach Southard and Christy Jerin said that they use the music feature so they can hear songs before they download them.

While MySpace was a well-known site, some students did not use it as much as others. Zach Southard said that he only used his MySpace once a month, while Christy Jerin said that she used hers twice a day.

When first looking at MySpace and Facebook, the two sites appeared similar; however, most students, when asked, said they prefered Facebook. MySpace was viewed by students Zach Southard and Jake Jellison as a "stalker's website." Christy Jerin said, "I prefer Facebook because I feel like it is more personal."

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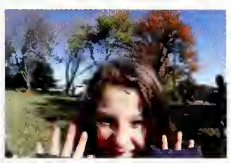


Tyler Bailey checks his Facebook in the third floor Humonities Center lounge. *Photo by Chris Sirico*

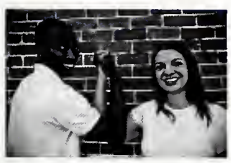
"Facebook has a clean atmosphere, and you don't receive all those random ads in your mailbox like you do on MySpace."

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6 albums








"Between Facebook and MySpoce, I feel Facebook has more to offer me. The otmosphere is nicer thon o lot of things you find on the Internet. Also my informotion con be kept privote ond there ore so many different options for me to choose from," said senior Coit Wohlonder. Facebook begon to offer a variety of options, including photos, groups, events, news feeds, mini feeds, and messoging. Some of its applications allowed displaying top friends, adding favorite movies ond song ond sending gifts to friends.

"I like Facebook because it's a smaller community than MySpace," soid senior Kotherine Borfield. Facebook's community consisted of people from different regions, colleges, workplaces and high schools. One could only see the photos and informotion of people in these communities if one was a part of them, which maintained privocy.

"Facebook hos a clean atmosphere, and you don't receive all those random ads in your mailbox like you do on MySpoce," soid senior Josh Cox. Members could send private messages to one another, or they could post comments on eoch others' wolls, which allowed onyone to see them.

Students found it easy to find one another with the obility to creote o profile, uplood photos, provide contact information and post new favorites. "Facebook mokes it eosier to find people, and I like that you have to be someone's friend in order for them to see your information," said senior Rachel Warden.

"The news feed is alwoys interesting to look ot becouse it tells you whot's new ond what's going on in your circle of friends," senior Tyler Moys soid. The news feed provided information about woll posts, birthdays, doting stotus, new pictures, upcoming events ond new groups.

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Service

Starlite Ministries

ACTING ON AIDS

During the foll semester it was hord to miss the many students weoring bright orange "ORPHAN" shirts; the shirts were a port of a campaign by the Acting on Aids orgonizotion on compus, o sociol service orgonization thot roised money ond oworeness for the sociol injustices in the world. Senior Kotie Gee soid, "I know it is o worthy couse becouse I hove seen the effects it has hod on campus ond the potentiol this group hos to moke o reol chonge not only with the way college students see the world, but with suffering individuals around the world."



Many of the Starlite girls joined the leaders and valunteers at their Knaxville lock-in for a night of live music and fun.

Storlite wos in its 5th yeor of ministry. The progrom wos ran by founding member and Lee 2006 olumni, Amy Beth Bullord. "I originolly meant for it to be o mentoring progrom for college students," soid Amy Beth. The ministry grew through the yeors with programs for elementary, middle ond high school girls. The programs were known os Twinkle, Sparkle ond Glow. Twinkle was the newest program ond wos odded in the fall of 2007. Storlite hod many forms of ministry for females at Lee to get involved and the programs were both fun ond rewarding for the leaders of Starlite as well as the girls in Twinkle, Sporkle and Glow.

Leaders and volunteers were always especiolly excited for the lock-ins during eoch foll and spring semester. The lock-ins were o time for the volunteers, leoders ond girls in Starlite to spend the night together for dinner, a time of proise ond worship ond one on one time getting to know one onother. Storlite gove young women at Lee University the opportunity to be both spiritual and peer leoders to young girls in the community.

OPERATION CARDS FOR IRAQ

The goal for Rachael Kelly, Lee 2006 graduate and founder of Operation Cards for Iraq, was to meet the desperate emotional needs of US soldiers serving in Iraq during the Christmas Season. After seeing a television program interviewing military chaplains in Iraq and having heard how hard life was for the soldiers around the holidays, Kelly devoted herself to helping in anyway possible. "It just moved my heart. I thought, I just have to help," Kelly said about the broadcast.

With a goal of 137,000, Kelly started the project and collected as many Christmas cards as possible from American citizens to send to the soldiers, "I wanted to let them know that America still cares about them," she said about the 146,000 total troops in Iraq. While Operation Cards for Iraq was receiving cards from coast to coast, Rachael Kelly took the time personally to set up a booth at her alma matter to have thousands of cards available to Lee students, faculty and staff for them to write some words of encouragement and give back, free of charge; she was planning on doing the same at UTC and Bradley Square Mall. News Channel 9 was there to hear her story. *Copy by Tyler Mays, Amanda Sisler and Brittany Gager. Phatas by Andrew Millar and Amanda Sisler. Layaut by Brittany Gager.*



ee students Jocob Cooley, Casey Grisham and Rochelle Mayberry oined hundreds af other Lee students and faculty in writing words of ncauragement far Operation Cords for Iroq.



Amanda Cuzzart, alang with her fellaw students and members af the cammunity, such as Jocelyn Lake, lent their hands and time to the Warm Up America Project.

Beginning in 2006, Lee University's first year transfer students led by Kathy Simmons, a faculty member in the office of First Year Progroms, teomed up with the Warm Up America Foundation in order to knit and crochet seven by nine inch squares in order to make blankets for those in need. The ministry grew rapidly and was able to donate multiple blankets to the Bradley Cleveland Community Services. These blonkets went to the those in need and the emergency shelters in the area. In addition to these blankets, the group hod the opportunity to make ond provide over thirty boby hats ond several blankets to New Hope Pregnancy Resource Center.

Some students, heoded by Lisa Gierde, o chaploin and cluster group leader of first year tronsfers, also bronched off from the traditional knitting ond crocheting and provided fleece scorves ond gloves to inner-city elementary schools in Cleveland ond Knoxville.

The ministry gained a greot omount of support from Lee students, foculty ond the community. Through the program, Lee students were also oble to reoch out to the community by knitting with people in the North Clevelond Towers. Many of the Lee faculty, who knit, took a great interest in this project as well.

By teoming up with Worm Up America, the first year transfer students gained the opportunity to work with and for the community as well os Lee faculty ond eoch other while fulfilling their service learning credits. "There is something significont obout the fact that this service project hod the wormth of our honds, joined together os a whole ond extended to worm up someone else's life," said Kathy Simmons.

God's Own Ministries

Footboll met fundraising in Februory with God's Own Ministries, a ministry created by Lee junior Tyrone Johnson. The community wide flag football tournament wos open to teoms of five players age 13 or older. A men's, women's and coed leogue kept the tournament competitive. The games were played on campus at Lee as well as at other local schools. "The money roised will be donated as a scholorship to a deserving student who wos affected by Hurricane Katrina," said Johnson. Instead of walking or running a 5K, participants punted, passed and kicked their woy to helping others.

Feeding Ministry

Every Saturday morning Lee students gathered together outside the Cleveland police station to do their weekly food ministry. Students broke off into groups and went around the city to fill boxes with food that was donated by the grocery stores.

Along with variety of food-filled boxes, including fruits and vegetables, students distributed bread, granola bars, cereal and desserts. Students took the boxes just beyond the railroad tracks behind the university campus and gave the food to families in need. "Watching the children look through the boxes of food and seeing the joy on their faces showed me how much of an impact we were making in these people's lives," commented volunteer Damaris Martinez.

Week after week these families counted on the food students brought them. Volunteers tried to deliver food to the same houses each week, hoping to grow relationships with these families. "It's not just about handing someone a box of food. It's the relationships we're building with these families each week we see them," junior Elli Heit said.



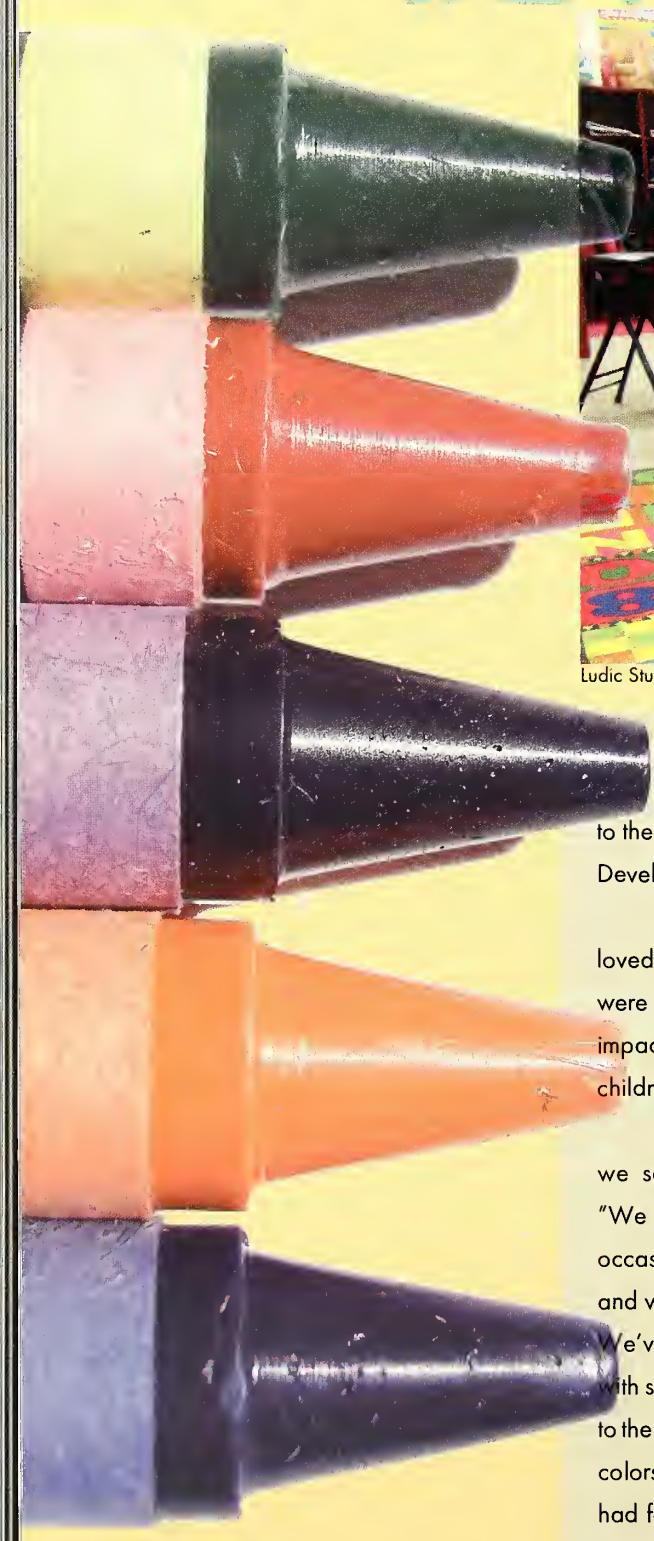
While many students volunteered their time with The Feeding Ministry, junior Mandy Panos spends some extra time sharing and showing love with some of the young neighborhood girls.

GREAT STRIDES

Great Strides gave students the opportunity to raise money and support for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, a national organization whose goal was to cure Cystic Fibrosis. In April, Lee students and faculty joined tens of thousands of people nationally who walked in hopes of stopping the crippling disease. Participants were able to choose to run in the 5K race or slow things down and participate along with others in the 5K walk.

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DEVELOPING THE COMMUNITY





Ludic Students participate in music grop time. *Photography by Shashank Shrestha.*

One of Lee University's educational efforts to the outside community was the Lee University Developmental Inclusion Classroom (LUDIC).

Director Dr. Tammy Johnson said that she loved working with children who had autism that were enrolled in the program. In her eyes, the impact the school had on the elementary-age children had been tremendous.

"At times it is slow, small steps. At times we see huge improvements," Johnson said. "We have had students progress from only occasionally speaking, to reading and speaking and writing in full sentences in one school year. We've had students who would rarely comply with simple requests to identify objects, progress to the point that they could identify all the shapes, colors and letters, within a school year. We've had families who could not go many places in public – restaurants, church, banks – because of their child's behavior, who eventually were able to do so."

A student teacher, student worker, intern and 60 - 120 volunteers helped support the classroom. LUDIC celebrated its ninth anniversar and the nine children enrolled in the progra ranged from 6 to 11 years old.

Elise Languedoc, an elementary and speci education double major, taught as a stude worker. Prior to that, Languedoc volunteered h time with LUDIC for two semesters. As a senic she continued to find the true joy in working wi the children with autism.

"They look at you and say something, an you just die laughing," she said about her da teaching the children.

LUDIC strived to provide a quality progra that served children with autism and oth developmental disabilities. The positive response arising from the work of the program prove th it has surpassed its goal.

When asked about the school's learnin atmosphere, Languedoc replied, "You think it going to be hard and stressful, but it's all abo the children – happy, structured. Everything a learning experience, and everything is dor with a smile."





Nathan Belk plays with a toy train.

LUDIC

Dr. Trisha McClung completed research, along with Dr. Tena Stone and Dr. Bill Kamm, on the effects of Lee students serving with LUDIC. She said that it forced students out of their comfort zones and helped many students confirm their calling. McClung said that, "these themes were repeated over and over in the Service Learning Reflections" written by the student volunteers. She went on to state that many students obtained a sense of personal gratification in working with the kids and felt they were doing right morally and spiritually.

> "This experience has been life changing."

Maggie Opelt, a freshman student worker at LUDIC, agreed with McClung's statements. She called her experience "life changing."

"Through the children and their behaviors I am able to learn so much," Opelt said. "Now I know for sure this is what I am going to do for the rest of my life."

Opelt saw the progress of the children as the most rewarding outcome from her time with LUDIC. "The progress each one makes is outstanding and such a blessing to be able to observe," she said. "That is what I love most, seeing the progress and getting to be a part of that."

She called the experience "hands on" and claimed that students who are not special education majors should participate because it was "eye-opening" and makes one "aware of the different disabilities children could have."

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90 years past



The Church of God Troining School's first closs poses in front of the publishing house in 19

A large crawd af cheering students filled the Walker Arena. It was a hame basketball game and the Flames were ahead. After a winning game, same students stapped by the PCSU ta finish hamewark in the camputer lab while athers had caffee and a chat with friends at Jazzman's. The next marning, classes and new assignments began again, but sa did the apportunities. This was Lee University in 2008.

Naw take a large step back in time and ga back to the very beginning af the schaal that wauld ane day be the Lee that students see naw.

In 1918, a woman known as Grandma Callier from Calhaun, Ga., gave the first dallar af suppart ta a tiny Church of Gad Bible Training Schaal being faunded in Cleveland, Tenn. The schaal began with 12 students ar teacher Nara Chambers, a female Church af Gad evangelist. The scho didn't have a campus but a single roam in the Church af Gad Publishir Hause.

The Bible Training School moved after a few years ta Seviervill Tenn. but eventually autgrew their space and returned to Cleveland. Tl schaal baught the Bob Jones campus that has been hame far the scho since. "By the time [Lee] came back in 1947, they had a twa-year scho and added mare majors ta their current anes af religian and music," so Lauis Margan, Librarian far Public Service and Learning at Squires Library.

ne same year, the new school that was no longer only for training ministers as christened Lee College in honor of Flavius J. Lee, the Bible school's econd superintendent.

From this point on, Lee added majors and became more diverse. lthough mainly Church of God members attended Lee until the 1960s, it as since welcomed students from a wide variety of backgrounds. It began ith students from four Southern states; but in 2008, it had representatives om 52 countries outside of the United States.

Even in the 10 years after Lee adopted the title of University, it more an tripled the number of its academic programs and almost doubled its udent population.

The campus also came a long way from the shared room in the hurch of God Publishing House. Lee proved fertile ground for growth the 1990s and 2000s, continuously sprouting new red brick buildings. he school even bought a street to turn into the Ped Mall where students ould just have fun.

Many of the more recent improvements at Lee are due to the leadership f President Paul Conn. "I think what Dr. Conn has done during his tenure broaden the view of Lee beyond Cleveland and the Church of God. ecause of his effort and good faculty, we have improved academically," aid Morgan.

Morgan, who came as a student to Lee in 1994, had a personal istory that tied him to the school. His own grandfather sold a cow and donated the money to the fledgling Church of God Training School. Morgan's grandfather could not have known how his support to keep a small Bible school running could have such a lasting impact 90 years later and bring enduring rewards for many generations of students.

Church of God historian Philip Morris said, "It was not an elaborate beginning, but in its [Lee's] scope was the vision of thousands of other young people who were to be greatly influenced by this humble beginning."

In 2008 there were many opportunities available for students who attended Lee. Although the choices grew, Lee remained true to its first calling, that of teaching the Bible. The commitment to biblical teaching became a required minor minor. Chapels evidenced it and faculty and staff advanced it. "We take all of the vocations that we have majors for and integrate faith in that learning process. That's the beauty of Lee," Morgan said.

Progress defined Lee for 90 years and Morgan said he believed "it has earned a wonderful reputation among Christian schools."

During its first 90 years of existence, Lee impacted many lives and opened doors of opportunity through education and knowledge to its students. It began humbly but achieved great things. It is through the individuals who have graduated that Lee's accomplishments are seen and through those who attend that they are created. *Copy by Christino Mihoi. Layout by Chris Sirico.*

The Church of God Publishing House was the first home of the Church of God Bible Training School. *Photos courtesy of Squires Library.*



only the strong survive

All day, the air was tense with th anticipation of approaching battle. Warrio from Davis, Atkins Ellis, Livingston and Medl proudly strode across campus displaying the teams' colors on their shirts. Others chose keep under disguise until nightfall. It was tim for Dorm Wars 2008.

The RDs of each dorm worked for wee beforehand to prepare for the culmination of the efforts in one night of glory. On February 25, th captains rallied their forces together and drille their teams of seven leaders. But no division capable of succeeding in battle if not for the loyal troops.

As by annual tradition, the troops line up in their ranks in Walker Arena, each dor proudly sporting their attire complete with w paint, battle cries and banners. Sophomore Linc Oliver observed the unity of the dorms' residen "We all have intense pride and excitement for o own dorms, but there is never any hatred shov toward the others," she said. "Brother and sist dorms cheer each other on, and everyone has f



Erin Meyer shows her support for Keeble Holl before the Dorm Wors competition.



Rary McKay, Wayne Voudrey and Will Perry from Bowdle Hall devour as many syrup covered hotdogs as they can for the first port of the contest.

eeing all the different themes presented."

As Master of Ceremonies, Campus Pastor mmy Harper gathered the opposing teams ogether and began the first stage of combat–the od race. Tharp Hall set a record for the girls' orms by consuming 26 hotdogs doused in maple yrup, and reigning champion Hughes Hall came first for the guys' dorms with 31 hotdogs.

The shopping cart race challenged those who dared to take on the test of skill and time. Hughes Hall again defeated all in its path. vingston charged its way past all opposing girls' orms and rolled into first place.

In the final event, every dorm spun, crawled, swung and catapulted their way through the obstacle course and sealed their fate for the final victory. Team "Simmons Spice" emerged as the winners for both the Spirit Award and the overall competition. Hughes Hall retained their first place title for the second year in a row.

Simmons Spice team captain Lindsay Beacham reflected about her team's triumph. "My favorite part about dorm wars was probably the looks of shock, joy and satisfaction on my girls' faces when they realized they had won. We are the smallest dorm on campus, and winning proved that size does not matter in this large event."

More than 90 percent of Simmons' residents attended the events which greatly contributed to their Spirit Award victory.

"Dorm Wars is the biggest event on campus and affects so many people," said Beacham. "It allows all the dorms to come together and offers this great sense of community as we engage in friendly competition. I have heard from so many people say that they will never forget Dorm Wars, or it is the best event of the year. Residential Life puts so much work into making it a successful event; they did a tremendous job!"

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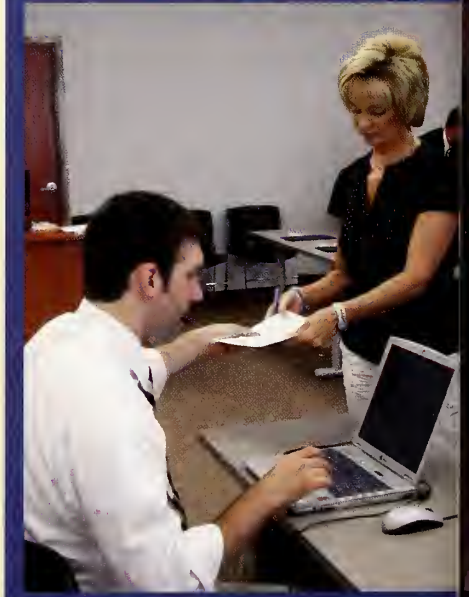




A NEW PERSPECTIVE







Lee expanded its educational system to include a new age-bracket of individuals aged 60 and over. This step forward created an intergenerational learning program known as Encore, mixing older students with traditional 18 to25-year-old students and proving that it is never too late to learn. Encore students had the option to enroll in one to two courses from over 400 available. Students chose to receive either audit credit or to fully participate in the class and receive a grade. Over 100 students were enrolled in the program. "This is one of the most significant initiatives in many years at Lee," said President Paul Conn. "It provides a way for older Clevelanders to participate in our academic life and share in the marvelous things that are being taught by such an outstanding faculty. Our younger students will also benefit from the perspective and experience of older learners in the classroom."

Director of Community Relations Merica Stum was the Encore program coordinator. She said that she enjoyed working with the "tremendous" Encore students since they were greatly appreciative of the program's opportunity.

"It is a wonderful feeling to answer calls about the cost of the program and hear 'Really? Only $50?' It is extremely rewarding to witness an entirely new demographic having the opportunity to enjoy what I know to be a great classroom experience," said Stum.

Students were eligible to enroll regardless of past college experience. Many never attended college, and the Encore program provided them an easy way to jump into new territory. Other previous college students were encouraged to pursue their passions in greater depth and to delve into new subject areas as well.

Rosanne Whitson enrolled in both a digital photography class and computer class in the spring semester and was eager to take advantage of the opportunity.

"It sounded like something I would love to do since I didn't go to college," she said. "I'm at a time in my life where I am free to spend time doing something to better myself, to improve my life."

Not only did Lee's program provide retirees with an outlet to keep themselves busy, it also fostered closer connections among students of

ages, bridging both the generational and chnological gaps between traditional and non-ditional students.

Whitson said, "I really admire the young dents because they are able to adjust better to chnology. I didn't realize some of the difficulty learning new programs. The students are really lpful. It's a pleasure."

This sentiment is not only one-sided. Younger dents have also noticed the new dimension the core students bring to the classroom.

Brittni Jensen, a 22-year-old senior ychology major, spoke positively about the core students.

"I think they're awesome. They add a hole different element to the classroom. They e distinguished. They add their wisdom and owledge to discussions, and they have a non-nted sense of humor. They know how to really enjoy life, even though most of their lives have been a lot harder."

Encore students were encouraged to participate in the free events that are open to the rest of the student body, from concerts and plays to sporting events. They are also awarded access to on-campus parking, use of Squires library, a faculty advisor and an on-line e-mail account.

The Encore program opened up many opportunities to members of Cleveland's older community and made it possible for students of all ages to engage in the learning process.

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BELOW: New Encore students pile in the Campus Trolley to take a campus tour after orientation.
LEFT: Encore students sign up for classes and enroll into the program.



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With the Focus the Nation event creating hype around the campus and the natural inclination as Christians ta better the warld, students faund ways beyand the traditianal missions wark to help those across the warld.

Buying products that centered on a social missian became an easy way far students ta cantribute ta the warld right fram the community of Cleveland. Products, like Ethas water, carried a persanal missian with every purchase made.

American Apparel clothing had one strang message pramated thraugh its clathing. All haused under ane roaf in Los Angeles, Calif., American Apparel provided a "sweatshap free" enviranment, created fair benefits and wages far all its 4000 employees and focused on praviding quality, simplistic clathing far its cansumers. Instead of blindly autsaurcing, American Apparel grew in the United States to became the single largest clathing manufacturer within the last five years.

"The rise of American Apparel at Lee University is due ta the simplistic and camfartable feel it gives. Lee students are not just wearing great clothing, they are supporting samething much larger," said Lauren Miller.

With an array of colors, American Apparel provided clathing far everyane in the family, including dags. "They da the basics the best, as far as fit and design. They have made a mastery af keeping it simple," said Tim Giguere.

A foatwear company that created a wave of help ta thase in need were TOMS shaes. Created by 31-year-ald Blake Mycoskie, TOMS shoes were designed ta help hundreds of thousands of children across the world.

The idea behind the trendy shoe began with a trip Mycaskie taak ta Argentina in 2006, where children were running araund with cuts an their feet, unable ta affard shaes. He said, "I went ta Argentina ta play pala, saw that everyone was wearing these shoes called alparagatas. It piqued my interest, and I decided to bring them to the States and put a twist on it."

TOMS shaes sald their praduct anline and in select stares acrass the United States. Far every pair af shaes

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global warning

Lee was one of over 1000 schools nationwide to host the first Focus the Nation event on campus, which centered on the environmental impact of global warming. Lee faculty, state and federal representatives and community environmentalists hosted special sessions over a two-day period.

Promoting this endeavor to increase student awareness, President Paul Conn said, "It's a great way to get information about these growing concerns, hear what our elected representatives are doing on our behalf and make a judgment on how [students] can have a positive impact on our environment."

Students learned about the realities of global warming and were challenged to think about what they could do to improve the situation. Speakers included Dr. Richard Cizik of the National Association of Evangelicals, Rep. Zach Wamp, Sen. Dewayne Bunch, Rep. Kevin Brooks and Rep. Eric Watson. Various teach-in sessions, prompted by conversation from a screening of Al Gore's 2006 documentary An Inconvenient Truth, informed students about global warming's effects within their particular fields of study. They also addressed the necessity of being good stewards of God's creation in what Cizik referred to as "Creation Care."

Chair of the Communication Department Dr. Michael Laney and a session speaker on environmental journalism, saw the event as a challenge to students to practice their faith by implementing practical strategies for taking c e of creation.

"Many students had never given [glo l warming] a moment's thought," Laney said. "Fo s the Nation allowed them to hear a point of v v they may had never come in contact with bef . It was an awakening for some.

The event culminated with a "Gr n Democracy Round Table" discussion am g elected leaders and Republican, Democrat d Independent students. By the end of the two d , Focus the Nation had succeeded in initia g the conversation about global warming, ur g students toward action. *Copy by Andrea Wilhelm*



Students liste to a session about lobal armin in the Rose Lecture H ll. *Photo by Sh shank Shrestha*

TOMS

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ught, another poir wos donated to a child who needed them. 10,000 rs of shoes were delivered to children in Argentina and Ecuodor in 06, and 50,000 more pairs of shoes were delivered to South Africa vember 2007.

Aoron Driver, who has purchosed o TOMS hot, leorned obout TOMS m church. He soid, "I think it's o good thing to support, and they moke od stuff too."

The commonly identified economic initiative (RED) made progress in ps and bounds to provide treotment for AID victims in Africo. (PRODUCT) D wos on outlet thot ollowed commonly known corporations, like Converse d Apple, to create unique products ond provide up to 50% of thot product enue to be donoted to the Globol Fund.

All money in the Globol Fund went towords medicotion, prevention ucotion, treatment to stop the spread of HIV from mother to child ond od and shelter for those children orphoned due to AIDS in Africa.

When it came to beverages, Ethos water, seen at Starbucks, strived to vide clean woter for the children of Africo, Asio ond Lotin Americo. For ery bottle of Ethos woter students purchased, .05 cents wos donoted to p on estimated 370,000 people goin access to safe water and sanitation d hygiene educotion.

There were o plethoro of stores students shopped ot to moke not only althy decisions for themselves but for the world. Popular home furnishings re IKEA, brought students from Lee oll the woy to Atlonto for a doy of pping. With cheop prices ond quolity goods, hoving products thot were vironmentally friendly was an added bonus.

IKEA moximized their materiol use ond stuck with raw materials ch as wood, glass, cotton, plostic, rotton ond metol but tried to use cycled ond renewable moteriols os often os possible to better protect environment.

New to the market were reusable bags sold at a wide variety of stores, cluding Wal-Mart, Bilo, Petco and other major retail corporations. IKEA en chorged .05 cents per plostic bag in order to encourage the use of eir .59 cents reusable bogs. Reusoble bags began were encouraged to



Paper or plastic? While some reusoble ore mode of synthetic materiol, others such os this Wolmort bog use 85% recycloble materiols to oid you in your shopping. *Photo by Janchoi Mantrelerdrasme.*

lower the omount of plostic bogs consumers use due to the thousand yeors it takes to breok down in o londfill.

With a combinotion of friends, school initiotives and the medio, students were better informed about whot wos hoppening in their environment on o doy to doy bosis. Whether students leorned obout their neighbors' humon suffering or reocted to the misusage of the environment, more informed decisions were mode on o doy-to-day basis for the betterment of themselves and the world. *Copy by Elizobeth Compton. Photo illustration by Chris Sirico.*

New Life



Photo by Shashank Shrestha.

Construction on the new religion building started in December 2007

Changes across Lee's campus have erupted at lightening speed. A completed Leonard Center and Health Clinic stand next to Storms Hall and the freshman parking lot across from Sharp-Davis disappeared in December as the new School of Religion building began to take shape. Plans to build a new science building have been made.

These new construction projects are part of Lee's $25 million, five-year "Press Toward the Mark" campaign, which began in 2004. Students began the year celebrating the completion of the new Leonard Center in October.



Photo by Jonchai Montreledrasme.

Vice President of Administratian Gary Ray said that the new facilities gave permanent hame ta the Leanard Center service learning pragram and provided a central place af focus far the entire campus.

"Service can be launched inta the cammunity with the availability of the Faad Bank ta students and autsiders and thraugh the Health Clinic which serves as a way af reaching out ta students," Ray said.

Seniar Rachael Dimond taok full advantage af the Faad Bank. Aside from abtaining faad far her awn meals, she helped the surraunding community by taking a part in the Crossover Feeding Ministry.

"The new Faad Bank is amazing. The facilities have been updated, quadrupling the size of the raam. The faad is preserved much better, and the room is better organized to make it easier to pack up food for the feeding ministry," Dimond said.

The graund breaking for the School af Religian accurred in December, with a completian date set far the end of 2008. The new building will host 620 students at once, and along with a 200-seat lecture hall will, in the wards af Gary Ray, "became the care facility in the lives af students." A library and reading raom, as well as 32 faculty offices, will also make home in the new religion building.

The final campaign installment featured the new science building, which is expected ta be completed in 2009.

"[The new science building] will be a terrific additian, and a great asset ta tremendaus faculty," President Paul Conn said.

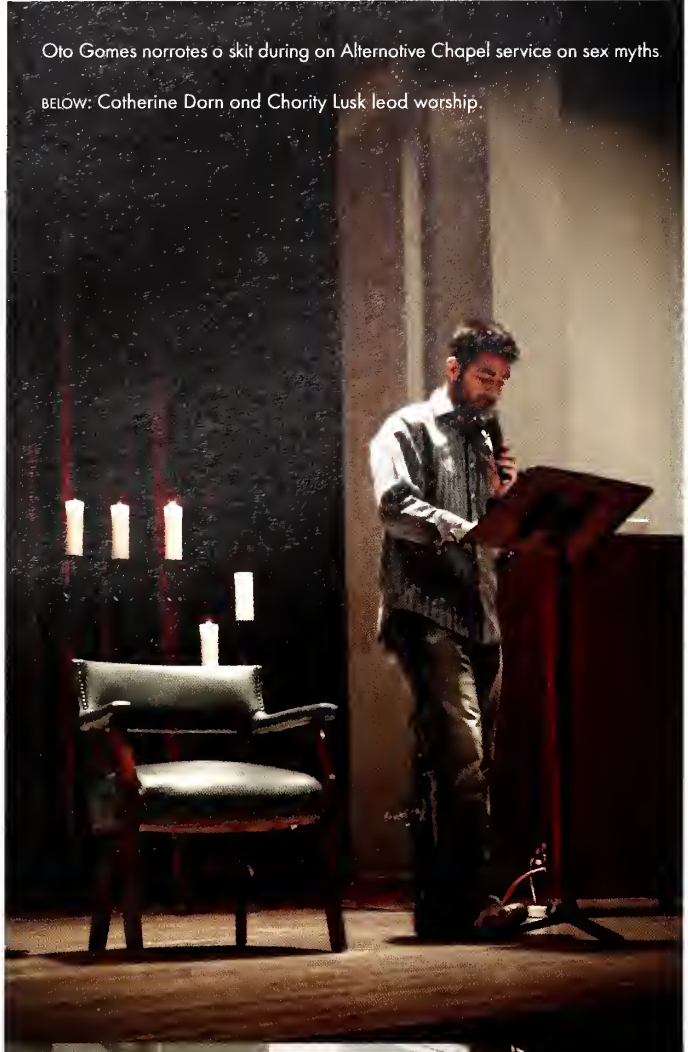
In arder to make way far the constructian site, classes in the Art Department and Beach Building Annex were moved to the newly acquired Mayfield School Annex, providing much needed space.

"Dr. Cann has always wanted ta create an enviranment af excellence, and these additians will cantinue in the pursuit," Ray said. *Copy by Andrea Wilhelm. Layaut by Joshua Wilking.*



Oto Gomes norrotes o skit during on Alternotive Chapel service on sex myths.

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another way to worship

Every Thursday marning the Dixan Center ouditarium was decara with candles and ather items ta create an inviting otmasphere far stude ond faculty as they entered inta Alternative Chopel. The space v transfarmed to give peaple a laid back atmosphere in which they ca warship. The music and speakers chasen alsa cantributed to the relox feeling af the services.

Caardinatar Mike Hayes tolked abaut the steering cammittee the service, which cansists af four staff members ond faur students. "It wonderful appartunity and partnership far students and odministratio wark together," Hoyes said.

Alternotive Chopel warship was mare acaustic driven than at chapel services. "The music is focused an the cantent af warship helping peaple cannect with ane another," Hayes soid. He alsa soid t the steering cammittee facused an non ritualistic music and mare taw o genuine tane.

"I like thot mare of the speokers are students, and they can relat ather students an a persanal level," said seniar Jodie McGukin. Seve students and ather speakers cantributed ta each service, which was facu araund a theme. "Speakers are chosen becouse of their experiences haw they can relate ta the theme being spaken abaut," said Hayes.

"We like to think we are giving students on inviting atmasphere transforming this stole lecture holl inta a place af warship," said Hayes. average, abaut 350 peaple attended Alternotive Chapel services dur 2007; ond omong these, mony were chapel-exempt. "I like the fact alternative chapel gives a clase feeling, like being with o fomily instea warshiping an yaur awn," soid saphamare Mally Haeweler.

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Students with uplifted hands filled the Conn Center auditorium as e band led 2000 voices in worship. Then, Dr. David Cooper began onvocation with a sermon about the supremacy of Christ. Bishop Jim Bolin oke on Monday night and Pastor Bill Lee followed on Tuesday. Dr. Mark alker spoke last on Wednesday night.

Tuesday night sparked positive responses from many students. "I ved the message on Tuesday," said sophomore Salim Trew. "The pastor ked about how God tries to get your attention, and he used Jonah as example." Trew also said Pastor Lee got students' attention because he as alive and energetic."

"I liked the style of the speaker on Tuesday night," said junior Brandon eitz. Sophomore Claire Orist also said she liked the service because "it as loud and on fire." She said that Lee's rousing presentation of God's ord was different from what she was used to hearing at chapels. "Having erracial speakers brought a different atmosphere to convocation. ednesday was a more typical and calm service, but both services were amazing and just as heart-gripping," added Orist.

Most of Lee's music groups performed during Convocation. "They were all good, no doubt about that, but I liked the Voices of Lee the most," said sophomore Gaurav Tiwari.

"Our musical ensembles do a great job of adding assistance in the worship area during the Convocation weeks," said Campus Pastor Jimmy Harper. "We have such a wide variety of styles and approaches in our ensembles that they are able to touch most of the different backgrounds our students have in music."

Although the music groups endeavored to create a spirit of worship and the speakers challenged students to live a Christian life, Harper said the main purpose of Convocation was "to set aside time just to give to God." He said that on a busy campus, finding time to focus on God can be difficult. *Copy by Christino Mihoi. Loyout by Chris Sirico.*

drawing nearer to God



stor Bill preoches during Convocotion. *Photo by Sworup Ronjit.*



Mott Anderson poses in Sky Angel's moster control room. *Photo by Sworup Ronjit.*

life after lee

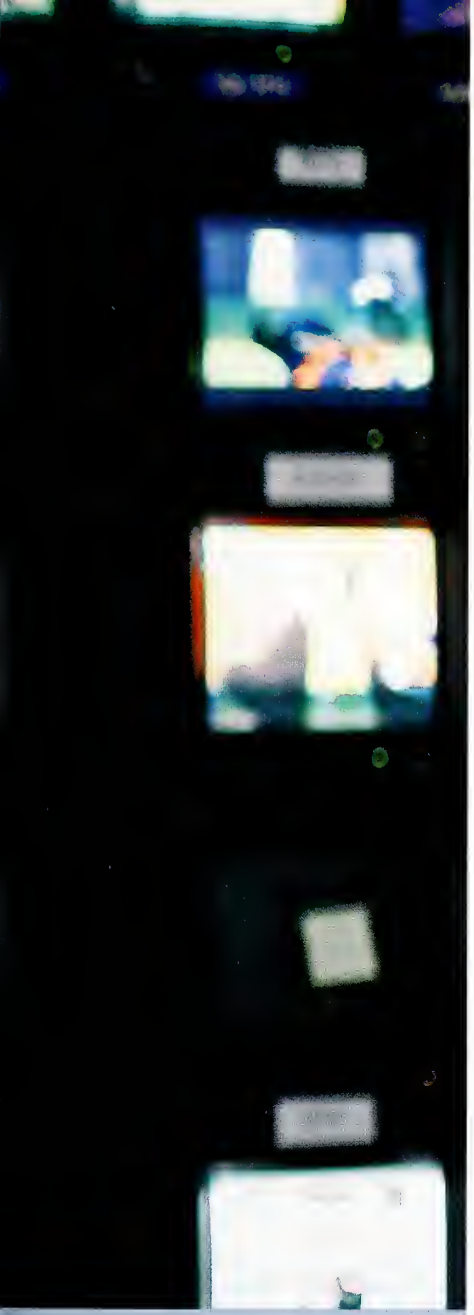
For seniors, each day in their final semester at Lee is a countdown leading up to that pivotal moment of graduation. Once the cap and gown are placed in the dark recesses of their closets, however, reality sets in and they are faced with the often intimidating question "What do I do now?"

Assistant Director for the Center for Calling and Career Stacy Ballinger helps students decide to either further their education by pursuing graduate school or to immediately enter the career world. Students are able to have their résumés critiqued, attend career fairs and meet with recruiters from varying fields, including the FBI.

Potentially successful graduates are oft easy to identify. "Confidence can go a lo way," Ballinger said. "Students need to app the knowledge they have gained and think f themselves."

The years at Lee are often spent earni money to get through school, engaging practicums to gain real world experien or applying to graduate schools across t country.

Craig Mosgrove graduated in Decemb with a Bachelor of Arts in Pastoral Ministry. H transitioned the Monday after graduation to t position of Christian Formation Pastor at Fr



napel in Gainesville, Ga.

Mosgrove interned at Free Chapel the evious summer and was offered his current b after following up with his contacts. He said at he is pursuing his passion for God's calling his life and attributed his success to Lee.

"It was at Lee that I learned to love God th all of my heart, soul and mind. It was truly n experience that changed my life," Mosgrove id. "I feel that Lee did an excellent job of eparing me for the job I have now; the study bits that were forced to be created while at e help me in the real world now."

Early Childhood Education major Mary

matt anderson

Choosing a major can be daunting. The fear lurks in the back of one's mind that a choice will determine an entire career and without a decision, there won't be one. Graduate Matthew Anderson had a unique solution.

"When I came to Lee, I was undecided on my major. I wasn't really sure what I wanted to do. I basically just looked through the student handbook for cool classes and most of the ones I was interested in were in the telecommunications department, so I decided to give it a try. It ended up being great, and I love my field of work," Anderson said. He graduated from Lee in 2006 with a major in Telecommunications and a minor in Drama.

Anderson got a job at Sky Angel, a Christian television broadcast company, where he worked as a supervisor in the network operations center. He monitored every channel in the service to make sure it ran smoothly, and he oversaw Sky Angel's video on demand service.

Anderson said Lee gave him a "good foundation of knowledge for getting into the video industry." He actually heard about the job he now has from the Department of Communications and the Arts secretary and "Comm Mom" Susie Battle.

Anderson remembered the good times he spent at college in addition to the preparation Lee provided for his career, "One of my best experiences at Lee was being in the play *Honk!* my junior year. It was a kid's musical, and it was just a fun play. I got to be the cat who was the villain in the play, so I got to be really goofy and outrageous. The cast was really close as well, which made for a great time."

The theater was an important place for Anderson for more than one reason, for that was also where he met his wife Terran.

Anderson was uncertain of his future when he came to Lee. Two years after graduating, however, Anderson was married and had a promising career ahead of him.

"Take a wide variety of classes to feel out what you like and don't like," he advised. "And even if you have a major and you don't know what to do with it, a lot of people end up having a job after school they didn't get a degree for. Nothing is set in stone."

So whether you have one year left at Lee or are just at the beginning, be encouraged that God has a plan and knows the future even if you don't. *Copy by Christina Mihai. Layout by Chris Sirica and Joshua Wilking.*



James Oaks poses in Squires Library. *Photo by Sworup Ronjit.*

Not all graduating seniors are what many would classify as "typical." This was certainly the case with James Oaks, who graduated with his second undergrad degree in Biochemistry Pre-Professional at the age of 40.

Oaks first graduated from Lee in 1992 with a degree in mathematics. He taught school for eight years before he started his Master of Education at Lee. However, his life took yet another turn.

After the completion of his first semester in the program, Oaks met with Dr. Gary Riggins to turn in his paperwork for the state of Tennessee.

"Have you ever thought about going to medical school?" Dr. Riggins asked.

At that point, Oaks' eyes were opened to the realization that medical school was a very real possibility, and something that he held an interest in.

Oaks said, "As Dr. Riggins put it, 'I think you misunderstood your calling. You thought you were supposed to be a teacher when all along you were to be a physician. You see, the word physician means teacher.' This statement helped me understand why I felt a void at the end of every school year, like there was something else for me to do."

Oaks was accepted into the John Quillen College of Medicine at East Tennessee State University. He left his teaching job at Walker Valley High School to pursue his Biochemistry degree and his jobs in the Natural Science and Mathematics department and Squires Library to attend ETSU.

"I would like to use my knowledge of medicine to do some missions work," he said. "My heart is in working state side with fellow Americans that are not as privileged as I am."

The twists and turns in Oaks' life plan serve as a background for his advice to students who are unsure what direction they should follow.

Not all students will be looked back upon as typical. It is they that will show the world how to reach the impossible through their actions.

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Marie Chiara

Marie Chiara loved diversity. She wo
an energetic, passionate and bright studer
She spent a lot of time with students from oth
countries and loved to travel. She said h
dream was to use all talents and the knowledg
and experience she gained at Lee to wo
internationally with the poor and hurting.

"That first day on Lee's grounds I honest
felt like I was home," Chiara said about h
Lee Day visit during highschool. "Everythir
about coming here just fit." She graduated
the spring with a B.A. in Vocational Intercultur
Studies and a Sociology minor.

"Almost everything I want to do with m
life had been shaped by my Lee experience
Chiara explained. "All of my courses
sociology, intercultural studies and Bible ha
molded my thinking, challenged what I ha
always believed in and pushed me to answ
the hard questions in life that deal with the wor
around my and my place in that world."

Chiara said she found the place to whi
God had called her to minister. Her desire w
to work overseas with a faith-based non-pro
organization such as World Vision, Food f
the Hungry and Compassion Internationa
Chiara said she planned to study biblical
international studies in grad school after
years of working overseas.

Chiara said she would rather work w
a non-denominational organization than as

issionory so she con in countries closed off to hristianity. She soid she wos willing to work in eas ranging from teoching Bible leodership asses to counseling children recovering om the sex trade. "I have versatile gifts and merous passions so wherever and whatever y assignment is, I trust thot I will fervently ursue the inconceivable adventure of God's entle leading."

Chioro hos olreody hod internotional inistry experience. She spent two and a lf months in South Africa, Swazilond ond ozambique os port of her intercultural ternship. "We were in the forefront of tremendous array of octivities," Chiara xplained. She and others spoke in joils and phanages, held o vocotion Bible school, sited AIDS potients ond distributed food and othes to devastated areos.

"Without o doubt this internship is the est port of the ISP program," Chioro said. "I as hammered out more by God in this past mmer thon I have ever been in my entire e. All thot I have ever invested in my classes nd in my relotionship with the Lord come out l-throttle when I wos overseos."

Although Chiora hos big dreoms ond the iormity of them sometimes feels dounting, she id, "I do know thot my gifts will moke room for e; and I must not become weory in expressing ese gifts, in doing good, for Galotions 6:9 tells e that at the proper time I will reop o harvest do not give up." *Copy by Christina Mihai. Layout Chris Sirica and Joshua Wilking.*

Hunter student taught ot Prospect Elementory during her time ot Lee.

Hunter soid, "My classes hove been honds-on ond provided for hundreds of hours of clossroom experience, which is by for the best way to leorn. During [this spring semester], I hove been responsible for 180 hours of teoching time ond have olso leorned interview skills and how to prepore o portfolio of my work. I feel confident in my ability to move forword ofter having this experience."

Some students' childhood experiences have shaped their plons for the future. For Tyler Brinson, his piono studies begon at oge 5 with Lee's own Dr. Phillip Thomas. He hos now developed into o Music Business mojor with an emphasis in Piono. As he prepares to occept o full ossistontship to ottend groduote school at Baylor University, Brinson stands in awe of how for he hos come.

"I've leorned so much obout myself, life, making decisions ond hove grown spirituolly stronger throughout my journey at Lee," Brinson soid. "I am reody to put into proctice whot I hove learned ot Lee, foce the 'reol world,' and be an influentiol leoder in this unique world we live in. Whot an omazing journey this hos been!"

Regordless of their major, Lee graduates hove the power to succeed in their future careers.

Michoel Lond, o Piono Performonce mojor, soid, "While ot Lee, I feel I've become more confident obout myself ond my abilities. I've done some things here I didn't imagine doing when I came in os o freshmon. It's o testament to God's foithfulness. I tried to give Him my best, ond he hos certoinly blessed me." *Copy by Andrea Wilhelm.*



Marie Ch[illegible] [illegible] scenery during a March Diversity Retreat. *Photo by Shashank Shrestha*

"Two Rooms" was the first of Lee's two fall plays. Dr. Mark Burnette directed the play and Laura Hayes was the assistant director.

Burnette described the praductian as a palitically charged play that did not provide an easy answer but raised a lot of thought-provaking questions."

Hayes called it one of Lee's "edgier" plays. "It dealt with serious issues instead of fluff," she said.

Sara Shealy, Jahn D. Moore, Michael DeBacker and Anna Caok united to form a cast that Shealy said was like a "fantastic small family."

"You need ta be on stage with people that you trust," she said. Hayes said that each actor braught something to the table. "Without that particular cast, the show wauld have had a different dynamic," she stated.

Pertinent to the situatian in the Middle East, the drama tald of a distraught wife, played by Shealy, whase husband, played by Moare, is held hastage. A gavernment worker pressures the wife ta keep quiet abaut his husband's status while a journalist tries ta get her to talk to the press. She is pulled in apposite directions while dealing with the emotianal trauma of losing her husband.

An open forum ta discuss the story's strong emotional impact fallawed each performance. Hayes called the discussions "intriguing" because different panels took the sessions in completely different directions.

"I could see people on the front row breaking out handkerchiefs and sniffling," said Shealy. "To see their eyes welling up was so motivating."

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The Relevant



Linda Retcofsky and Tyler Steele stor in "The Chairs." The performance was Lee's first absurdist play.

The Absurd

Linsey Retcofsky, Tyler Steele and Joshua Hatfield performed in "The Chairs," Lee's first absurdist play. Laura Northcutt was the assistant director of "The Chairs."

Dr. Christine Williams, director of "The Chairs," said, "I felt this play was important today because we spend so much time not communicating (using text messages, instant messages, Facebook, etc.). I wanted to promote discussion of how easily we can cut ourselves off and forget the real world out there."

In "The Chairs," a disillusioned couple, known as the Old Man, played by Steele, and the Old Woman, played by Retcofsky, anxiously anticipate the Orator's climatic entrance, wishing him to deliver a critical message to the arriving guests. The guests, however, are invisible, and the Orator, played by Hatfield, is a deaf mute. This makes his task impossible and the play ends without resolution.

"I think the students spent time thinking about the play and found their own meanings, which is great and exactly what absurdist drama is about," Williams said.

When Steele was asked to describe his character, he said, "I put myself in the shoes of a person with Alzheimer's. I played someone who knows his value, but he can't grasp the meaning of his life and that worries and frustrates him."

Both productions were entered in the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival. Shealy, Cook, Moore, Retcofsky, Steele and Hatfield received Irene Ryan Acting Nominations.

A Good Kind of Prejudice



Audrey Milum and John D. Moore starred in Lee's spring production of *Pride and Prejudice*.

"I was excited that they were doing a Jane Austen play. When I auditioned, I wasn't expecting to be called back for Elizabeth. I was so surprised," Milum said.

The play portrayed the love story between Elizabeth Bennett and Mr. Darcy, each on opposite ends of the social scene. Elizabeth's prejudice towards the proud Mr. Darcy ran rampant through the first half of the play until each realized their own faults and gave in to their hearts.

"I feel like Jane Austen wrote Elizabeth before her time," Milum said of her character. "We all relate to Elizabeth now, but back then Elizabeth was very innovative. She is independent and measures herself by her own standards and not by the world's. She is sharp and witty and has the confidence to pull it off."

As for Mr. Darcy, Moore said, "He starts off as a prideful jerk. He is very selfish, and pride is the height of his insecurity. Darcy pushes Elizabeth down, which she isn't used to, so she pushes back, which makes a fun contrast."

Although Jane Austen's novel on which the play was based is commonly viewed as a romance, the audiences roared with laughter at the antics of Mr. Collins, played by Travis West; the pomp of Lady Catherine DeBourg, played

by Corrie Pickston; and the squeals of Lydia and Kitty Bennett, played by Rachel Giammarella and Caroline Farish respectively.

Milum said, "It's hard not to laugh with the audience so by the end when my character was supposed to be laughing, I just let loose."

The actors themselves were not void of entertainment even behind the scenes. "It's been a very fun cast to work with. I don't think I've laughed this much in any other rehearsals or performances," Moore said.

Several months filled with hours of rehearsing lines, dances and scene changes all paid off in the end for the performances.

"I enjoyed putting so much work into a story that I love and pulling it off successfully so that other fans of Jane Austen got to enjoy it too. It's amazing being able to be a part of a story I have always loved," Milum said.

Pride and Prejudice was Milum's second Lee production to be a part of and one of several previous Lee shows for Moore, including *Two Rooms*.

"Theatre gives an outlet to raise questions that need to be asked," said Moore. "That's what the arts are about. I have a passion for acting and can never get tired of it."

Adapted by James Maxwell and revised by Alan Stanford, *Pride and Prejudice* was directed by Dr. Mark Burnette and assistant directed by Sara Shealy. *Copy by Andreo Wilhelm. Photography by Sworup Ronjit. Layout by Joshua Wilking.*



FT TO RIGHT: Caroline Farish, Rochel Giammarel a, Michelle Hinson, Tyler Steele and John . Moore. Lydia and Kitty osk Mr. Bingley to host o ball.

let's go to the hop



ABOVE: POF contestonts pose in their "At the Hop" costumes. BELOW: Lindsey Colhoun celebrates after being crowned Miss Parade of Favorites 2008.

Parade of Favorites 2008 entertained the audience with twirling paodle skirts, slick leather jackets, a bit of Elvis and a touch of the Comets. Its theme "At the Hop" was arranged by director Amber Bush, assistant director Kimber Humphries and advertising and program designer Jessica McDougall.

The eleven cantestants and their escorts set the stage with swinging tunes before performing in the talent division. Kelsey Glasser secured the Talent Award with an interpretive dance performance.

The talent presentations were only one of seven divisions the contestants completed before the judges' announced their final decisian. Before the main event, the girls were rated on service, co-curricular activities, academics and a private interview.

Following the escorts' dance, the girls were escorted across the stage ta showcase their eveningwear before the top five contestants were announced.

The five who advanced an ta answer the impromptu questions were Lacey Noles, representing Tri-Beta Biology National Honor Society Psi Omega; Kristen Pace, representing Theta Delta Kappa; Kelsey Glasser representing the Student Leadership Council; Laura Fleischmann, representing Alpha Gamma Chi; and Lindsey Calhoun, representing Delta Zeta To



Photo by Shashonk Shr

Bush, Humphries and McDaugall presented awards to outstanding contestants, including the Interview Award ta Morgan St. John, the Community Service Award ta Lindsey Calhoun, the Kay McDaniel Award and Miss Cangeniality Award to Lacey Noles and the Escort Award to Nat Durant.



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Parade of Favorites

The highly anticipated title of Miss Parade of Favorites 2008 went Lindsey Calhoun, awarded by Miss Parade of Favorites 2007 Jennifer Wallace Jackson.

"When the top five were announced and I stepped forward, I lost ll feeling and emotion including nerves. Everything became so surreal," alhoun said. "I felt and still feel completely honored that I have the pportunity to represent Delta Zeta Tau and Lee University with this title, but nly with it being known that I must give all of the credit to the Lord. I could ave never made it this far without his direction and hand on my life. I long or nothing more than to glorify the Lord with any talent or wisdom that might ave allowed me to receive this award, for I am nothing without him."

Calhoun's platform was "The Necessity of Music Education in Schools." he was escorted by Bryan Sanders.

After practicing since the beginning of the semester for the event, ontestants also received scholarships for their outstanding character and edicated work. *Copy by Andrea Wilhelm. Layaut by Jashua Wilking.*

IGHT: Joanna Peebles and Nat Durant perfarm during their intraductian. *hoto by Janchai Mantrelerdrasme.*

Campus Events



Get Wet!
Aug. 24, 2007

Rasie Halsinger and Tiffany Sawyer hold an tight. *Phata by Alex Lisic.*

H2OΔK was as close to a water park as it got on campus. A large stand up pool, baby pools and two Slip 'n Slides were strewn over Alumni Park for the annual Theta Delta Kappa event. And of course water was everywhere.

The event was different from other events on campus. There was no free food to attract students to H2OΔK. Candice Natola believes they came because "it's one of the few events on campus where there's actually something to do."

The activities included belly flop competitions, mud wrestling, water balloon fights and sliding down 50-foot tarps. Theta member Dylan Warnock said that "the most fun part was probably people sliding down those Slip 'n Slides riding boogie boards."

Students also threw themselves full force onto the slippery tarp in Theta bowling. Their goal was to knock down people instead of pins. "Theta bowling was where members of Theta would stand at the bottom of the slide and someone else would slide down and try to knock them over," said Theta member Grant Fisher.

"It was pretty cold, not exactly the most comfortable temperature to get wet," said Warnock, "but those who were participating were having enough fun to not mind it too much."

There was still a big turnout despite the weather. Many who chose not to get wet and avoided being dunked in a pool watched the show from the sidelines. *Copy by Christina Mihai.*

Hitting it off
Sept. 7, 2007

Freshmen with hopes of a ring by spring got an early start at the Freshman Dating Game. The Student Leadership Council sponsored the event, which anyone could attend and watch.

"I was one of the contestants who asked three questions to three individual bachelors and then selected one of them to go on a date," said freshman Alexandra Powell. The bachelors or bachelorettes sat silhouetted behind a curtain on stage while the interviewer faced the audience and asked questions. Powell picked Chad Savage and won a dinner for two to the Macaroni Grill in Chattanooga.

Powell said the audience enjoyed the "pretty amusing" questions the contestants thought up: "The most memorable part of the game show was when Chase Denton asked one of the contestants, 'If you were a cell phone, what would your number be?' as he proceeded to take out his phone and save the contestant's number."

Smith said, "One guy asked about the governmental setup, which made me laugh because it seemed kind of serious for the dating game. What made it better is that one of them behind the sheet momentarily forgot what the terms monarchy and oligarchy meant."

Smith said the Freshman Dating Game was the place to be for a "crazy and random" night of freshman fun. *Copy by Christina Mihai.*



Alexandra Powell listens to a bachelor's response.

Aloha!

Sept. 21, 2007

Sigma Nu Sigma's luau featured Hawaiian leis, a roasted pig, dancing and games. Students listened to music, ate barbeque and spent time with friends in Alumni Park without spending a dime.

"The luau is one of the most fun and interactive events for the whole campus to be involved in," said Sigma parliamentarian Lauren Wilkins.

A DJ and prize giveaways kept the event running smoothly. "I like the Luau because you can catch up with old friends, grab some free food and you might win something," said senior Chris Morris.

"We got a pig from Georgia and the crowd loved it" said Sigma member Brittany Cornelson. Sigma members roasted the pig whole and served it to the guests.

Later, the Sigma ladies rounded up the crowd and performed a dance. Then Greek members from various clubs were sold to the highest bidders in the date auction.

"The date auction is a great way for our club to raise money. It was fun—everyone had a great time bidding for a date," Cornelson said. "The Luau is a great opportunity for people to get to know our club and other people on campus." *Copy by Jessica Ginty.*



Amber Seals tears into a roasted pig as Elizabeth Cann, Melissa Robinsan and Sarah Roberts look on. *Photo by Tiffany Cox.*



Sept. 28, 2007

art

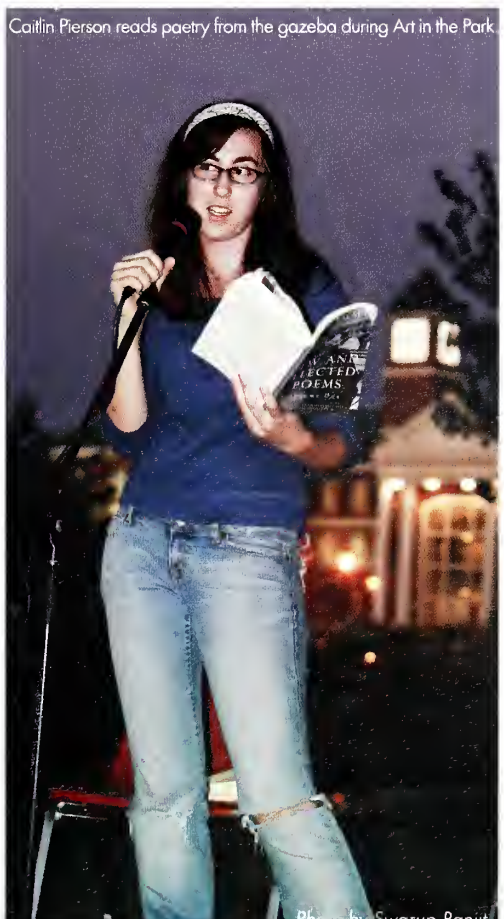
Julianna Ward removes a dart from dart art. *Photo by Swarup Ranjit.*

Art Club hosted Art in the Park in Alumni Park during the fall. The event had snacks, live music and, of course, art. Student contributed to "dart art" by throwing darts at paint-filled balloons attached to a giant canvas. There was also an art competition in which students judged art other student's art submissions. "It is such a great way to experience the artsy side of Lee University," said senior Jessica Ginty.

"There is a lot of talent on campus and Art in the Park showcases that," Art Club president Kim Keasler said. Student didn't need to be involved with the club to participate in the event.

"The event is a really good way to connect more people at Lee, whether they realize they are artists or not. Art in the Park has something for everyone," said freshman Robert Bennett.

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Caitlin Pierson reads paetry from the gazeba during Art in the Park.

Photo by Swarup Ranjit.

The smell of grilled hot dogs and the sound of live country music permeated the air and drew a crowd to DZT's annual Harvest Hoedown.

"It takes a lot of work to make the hoedown successful," said DZT member Laura Fleischmann. "But the whole community of about 40 girls working hard makes it all go smoothly."

"The most entertaining part of the hoedown was when I got married at the redneck wedding booth," Sophomore Kelsi Grime said. "Married 'till midnight" was a long-held Hoedown tradition. A "jail" was also set up. One could lock up or release a friend for just a quarter.

As in years previous, student clambered over a John Deere tractor to have their pictures taken. Red plaid shirts and cowboy boots, pigtails on the gals and straw hats on the guys completed the country scene. *Copy by Christina Mihai.*



Nicole Cain and Matt Bell get hitched. *Photo courtesy of Ann Cisney.*

"Ya'll come back, now. . ."

Oct. 12, 2007

Old Faces

Nov. 2-3, 2007



Homecoming was more than just one event as several events occurred over the entire course of the Homecoming weekend.

One of the first events of the weekend was the celebration of the Department of Communications and the Arts' 10-year reunion Friday evening. Another reunion celebration was Campus Choir's 50-year reunion Saturday morning. Clubs also showcased their recent activities with booths on the Ped Mall throughout the morning.

"I think that it's a great thing that we have so many alumni that come back year after year to see how Lee has grown, changed and advanced," said Paul Anderson, who was escort for Homecoming Queen Meghan Smith.

Smith was also the Special Events Secretary for the Student Leadership Council, and was busy all weekend long coordinating booths and other events. She knew she had made the Homecoming Court but didn't tell her family.

"Actually getting Queen was a surprise to me, but it was amazing to know that my family was there expecting to see me handing last year's Homecoming Queen something to give to this year's queen. Instead, they saw me crowned," Smith said. *Copy and layout by Chris Sirico.*

Exploring cross-cultual opportunities



Kothryn Simpson signs up for informotion obout the Thoilond trip.

Photo by Jonchoi Montrelerdrosme.

Oct. 29, 2007

Students cauld find infarmatian abaut Global Perspectives trips at the Warld's Fair. "Travel Guides," student warkers for the Global Perspectives class, fielded questions from booths filled with phatas and artifacts fram past trips.

"Students are able ta hear a peer perspective and ask questians based on their own experiences and persanal advice," said Travel Guide Kimber Humphries. "A student's persanal testimany is what encauraged me ta apply far the SIE: Cambridge 2006 trip."

Humphries went an the Cambridge trip and an individually arranged trip ta Handuras.

Kathryn Simpson visited the World's Fair. She was undecided abaut which trip ta ga an but said, "It's between the Thailand trip and Eurape."

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"Masquerade! Paper faces on parade"

Oct. 26, 2007

Epsilan's Masquerade on the Mall event had a new twist this year. As girls put up their tiaras and witches' braams and boys put up their super hero capes and fatigues, students were asked ta came aut dressed as their favarite celebs.

Titled "The Stars Come Out at Night," the event was filled with apple cider, phata apps, carnhale matches and more. Kristen Chumley said, "We got rained out and had ta change to the gym last minute."

This last minute change caused attendance to drop due ta the clased in lacatian and students nat knawing abaut the relocation. But that didn't mean the celebrity lookalike cantest faltered. And with true Halloween spirit, there was enough candy to go around.

Emily Shelton (dressed os Edie Sedgwick) ond Randy Dunson participote in Mosquerode on the Moll.

Photo by Alex Lisic.

gonged again

Feb. 1, 2008



Doniel Stronge sings "Lulloby Leogue And Lollipop Guild." *Photo by Janchai Montrelerdrasme.*

Students shawed aff their talents far a panel af student jud during Sigma Nu Sigma's Gang Shaw. If the crawd liked a cantest they cheered, but if they thaught a perfarmance cauld have b better, they baaed until the gang was struck, saunding the end far perfarmer.

Sigma member Brittany Cornelsan thaught the audience was severe. "The crawd boaed even gaad peaple aff. Unfair!"

There was a crawd in the Cann Center far the event. "We the mast attendants af any event an campus for this year sa Carnelsan said.

The live acts included singing, twa step rautines by Greek taps, a human videa and paetry. Sigma member Candice Natola all the acts were "very entertaining."

One cantestant wha did nat get baaed off the stage was Philip Bixby. He perfarmed a sang an the piana and sang "All I N by David Ryan Harris. "Philip Bixby was prabably my favorite. He a great style," said Carnelson. Harris' perfarmance wan him place in the shaw.

Bixby enjayed watching the show as much as winning a "My favorite part af the night," Bixby said, "was the sense af of all the judges."

"My favarite perfarmance wauld have to be Danny Stran munchkin impressian ar the interpretive dance by Meaghan (Da Katie (Johnson) and Candice (Natala)," said Sigma member Ta Dockery. "Sigma just hapes that next year's shaw turns aut just as as this year did!" *Copy by Christino Mihoi. Loyout by Chris Sirico.*

Super Bowl Bonanza

Feb. 3, 20

Greasy patata chips, hilariaus cammercials, the New Yark Giants and the New England Patriats. All tagether, yau have ane of the mast intense American sparting events af 2008 – the Super Bawl XLII.

Lee's New Yark Giants fans were aut af their seats as secands ticked away in the last quarter when Eli Manning made the pass far the final touchdawn af the game. The New Yark Giants wan 17-14 against the New England Patriats.

But when it came dawn ta it, Lee's students knew it wasn't necessarily abaut wha wan but whether the cammercials made them fall laughing aut af their seats. Seniar Laura Hicks said, "I watch for the cammercials. I always want ta see what the Budweiser cammercial will be."

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Two students enjoy the Big game on a big screen. *Photo by Carly Bis*

And the survey says. . .

Feb. 8, 2008



Omega members Mae Adoms, Katie Hause, Kristen Pierce and Anne Maddux pase during Campus Feud.

Photo courtesy of Anne Moddux.

"What kinds of candy get stuck in your teeth? hat are some items that you would still wear en if they had a hole in them?" When master ceremonies Trent Catchpole asked contestants se questions a few faces on the faculty team gave zzled looks. But the freshman team answered away and stole the win at Campus Feud.

Campus Feud was a spin-off of the TV game show Family Feud. Senior Jill Arvin who planned the event for Omega said it was held "to actively engage all areas on campus for a fun Friday night."

Four teams competed in three rounds. Freshmen faced off against the faculty, and male students competed against females. The two winning teams played in the final round for the prize of $20 per contestant.

Dr. Sara Ortega was a member of the faculty team. She said, "The questions were desperately out of the blue and sometimes really hard to answer. It definitely helped that I am close to my students and know a little bit of their habits and preferences."

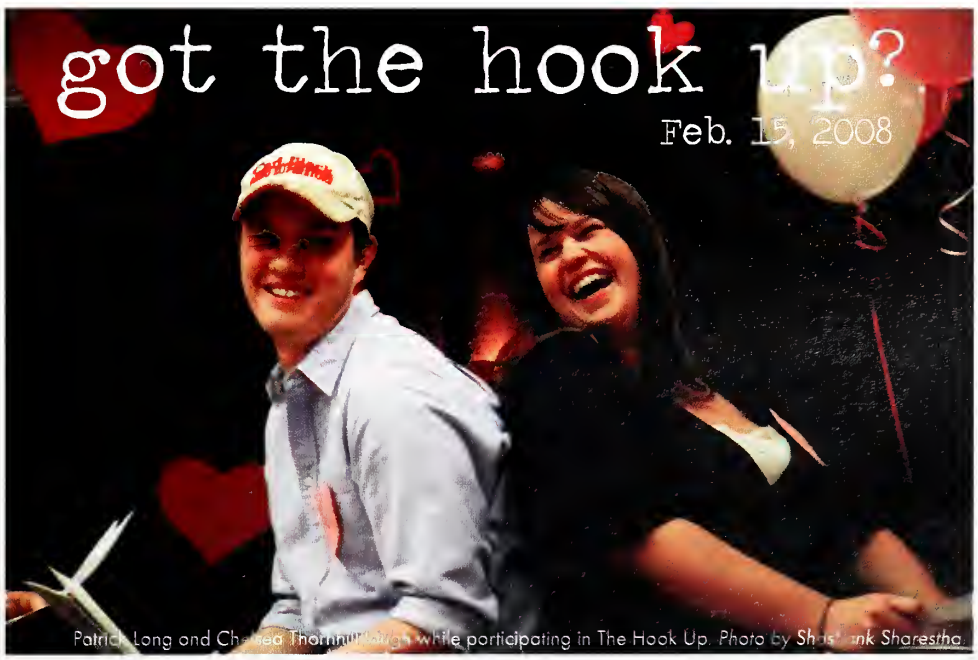
For once the students knew more answers than their teachers. Ortega said, "It was fun to meet students out of the habitual classroom setting without hierarchy barriers, which never existed for me anyways. It was interesting to see them seeing us with different eyes like we were normal, real and down-to-earth people who truly enjoy being around students."

Arvin said one of the great moments of the event was "watching the faculty try and win." Senior Kristie Chandler who attended Campus Feud added, "I definitely thought it was hilarious, and I think everyone who came enjoyed it."

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got the hook up?

Feb. 15, 2008



Patrick Long and Chelsea Thornhill laugh while participating in The Hook Up. *Photo by Shristi Shrestha.*

Couples tried to predict each other's sponses to hypothetical scenarios during e Hook Up. Delta Zeta Tau and the Student adership Council organized the event, which as inspired by The Newlywed Game TV show yesteryear.

"Jessie Culpepper and her fiancé Adam ird were the MCs. In fact they were hooked at the Hook Up as singles! That's where they et. So I guess it really did work for them!" said ZT member Mandy Panos.

Joanna Peebles and John D Moore won e singles round, Jennifer Bennett and Brad inters won the dating couples round, and Austin d Alicia Thacker won the engaged & married uples round.

"With all of the planning and work put into e Hook Up by not only myself but our members and SLC, I really feel it was a success," said DZT member Adrienne Hart, who oversaw The Hook Up planning. DZT formed committees in charge of food, decorations, advertising and the program to get the work done.

"It's always fun every year because the club gets to relax and have fun decorating before we are busy with the big event," said Hart of the hearts hung throughout the PCSU lobby.

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st. paddy's splash

March 14, 2008



Students play human foosball in the Rec Center. *Photo by Shashank Shrestha.*

Pi Kappa Pi lacked the luck of the Irish for its annual St. Paddy Day Bash. There wasn't even a rainbow following the rain that pushe activities inside the DeVos Rec Center. The rain also put a damper o the event's namesake, the Car Bash. Traditionally participants beat a old car to smithereens with a sledgehammer.

Despite the weather, 300 people showed up for the free barbequ and activities. Human foosball was an inflatable game in whic competitors could only move laterally while trying to score on the othe team. A DJ, door prizes, arena dodgeball and knockout basketball ke the crowd busy throughout the evening. In knockout, players lined up front of the free throw line and try to make consecutive baskets in tu to stay in the game. "A lot of the guys would get upset because they' miss and a girl would make it, knocking them out," said Tyler Ratledg who organized the event.

The Student Leadership Council helped Pi put on the St. Paddy Day Bash. "The events and entertainment kept everyone having fun Ratledge said. "We probably couldn't have done it without their help

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university diversity

March 27, 2008

Flags from countries around the world flapped in the strong wind, proudly displaying their colors. They represented the diverse gathering at Alumni Park for Lee's second annual Culture Fest. The event brought students and faculty together to celebrate the diversity of the campus and share their cultures.

The event was organized by the Diversity Committee, while the International Student Fellowship (ISF), the Bahamian Connection Club and World African Student Association (WASA), all international clubs on campus, provided food and entertainment for the Culture Fest.

Those who came tasted food from Nepal, the Bahamas, Egypt, Nigeria and China, to name a few. They also saw the national costumes of several countries and shouted to vote for their favorite in the native attire contest. The rest of the afternoon included music and dance performances by students, Native American music and the awarding of Mr. and Miss Diversity.

Paige Martin from the Bahamas danced in two performances at the Fest. "My first performance was for the Bahamian Connection Club and we did a little routine to our Junkanoo music, and my second performance was with the step team, and everyone said they enjoyed both," she said. "It was also enjoyable because Marcia Roberts from the Bahamas won the Miss Diversity pageant."



Students and staff celebrate culture and diversity with a Native American dance. *Photo by Shashank Shrestha.*

Shashank Shrestha, Sworup Ranjit and Sailesh Dhakal represented the International Student Fellowship by performing a Nepali sor "The Culture Fest was an awesome experien for the Nepalis who attended," Shrestha sa "Such events make us international students fe we are part of Lee, and there is a significa portion of our population here." *Copy by Christ Mihai and Jessica Wright.*

life's a beach



A crowd looks on os sumo wrestlers fight to the brutol end ot Extreme Beoch. *Photo by Sworup Ranjit.*



Another challenger steps up to sink Tyrone Johnson. *Photo by Sworup Ranjit.*

Rain can ruin a trip to the beach, but fortunately for the men of Tau pa Omega, the beach could just come indoors. They just celebrated the annual Extreme Beach inside the DeVos Rec Center.

"Even though we didn't see as many people as we did last year, it still ed out amazing," said event organizer James Reed. The event kept guests entertained with two live bands. Students ate hotdogs, chips, snowcones and drinks for free. There were door prizes and giveaways from Chick-fil-A and Pathway as well as gift cards. There was even a sandcastle contest in the Rec Center, and the winners got cash prizes for their scultures.

Other students played soccer and traversed an inflatable obstacle course. The sumo wrestling, though, was a crowd favorite. Reed said that someone playing soccer kicked the ball so hard that his pants fell off.

There was a dunk tank too. Tyrone "from Baltimore" Johnson volunteered for the duty. "Mr. McClung's grandson took a shot and dunked him," Reed said. *Copy ond loyout by Chris Sirico.*

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March 28-30, 2008

Alpha Gamma Chi hosted their annual Man Softball Tournament to raise money Multiple Sclerosis, a terminal condition that rs down the immune system and body. The nament ran from 5 p.m. Friday to Sunday ning. The tournament was due to end within nours of its start on Friday, but due to rough ther the tournament took short breaks and t through Sunday.

MS is a merciless disease, so the club ded to show mercy to those less fortunate by ng as much money for the cause as possible the weekend. Teams paid $100 apiece oin the tournament, and other individuals ey as well. Several businesses sponsored the nament in addition.

Alpha Gamma Chi president Carmen oria said, "Hosting this benefit softball nament was our way to give back. It was our way to give back to such an incredible need that seems to be overlooked most of the time."

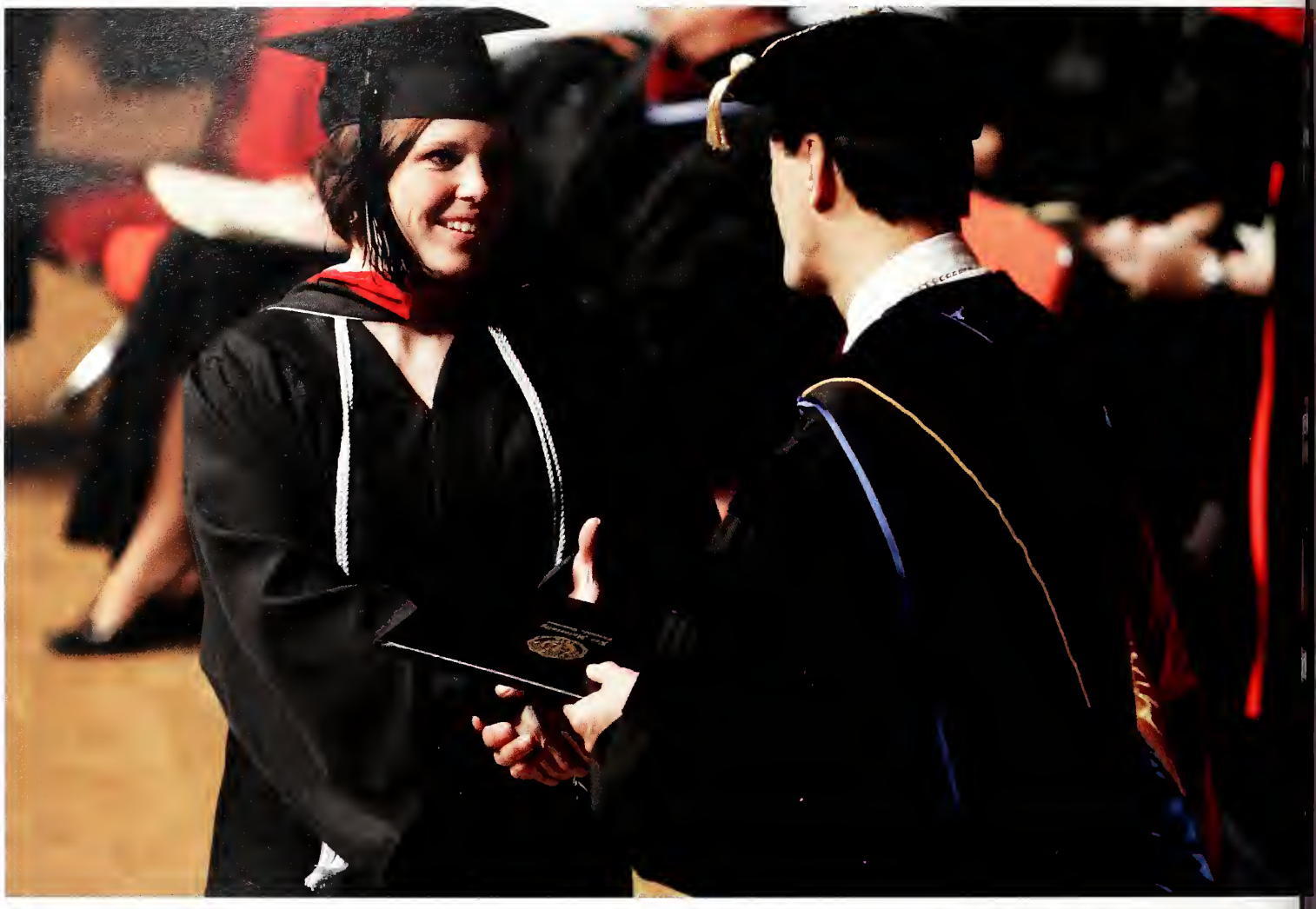
The tournament raised $1200 for MS as well as raising awareness about this incurable disease.

The committee that put together the softball tournament was Brandon Frazier, Josh "Bucky" Gregory, Taylor Jones, Chris Hadsell and Chris Jones. *Copy ond photo by Joshuo Hughes.*



Brad Winters and Trent Catchpole participate in pull-ups

December Graduation



A graduate shakes Dr. Conn's hand while receiving her diploma. *Photo by Mike We*

Graduation was the biggest present many Lee students received for Christmas, and it came a little early too. Over 200 graduates took the final steps to receive their hard-earned degrees on December 14 and 15. Some had finished their studies ahead of schedule and others earned degrees after graduate training.

Family and friends who filled the Conn Center stood as the procession of graduates filed past wearing long black robes and square caps as proud marks of their achievement. Faculty preceded the students wearing their own academic regalia.

The commissioning ceremony included special music sung by graduating vocal performance major Isabel Lowney and six speeches by graduates from different majors entitled "The Lee University Experience."

Megan McGrath, who graduated magna cum laude with a B.A. in Spanish, gave one of the speeches. "Giving the speech was amazing, but the hardest part was writing it,"she said. "I had so much I wanted to say but only had a few minutes. I was nervous walking into the Conn Center that night, but once I got to the microphone I was fine." Her speech was about being where God wants you and getting the most from it.

Before the ceremonies, the seniors giving speeches had the opportunity to talk to President Conn. McGrath said they were all excited to be meeting President Conn and told him how honored they were to be given the chance to speak at commissioning.

After the speeches, Dean of Students Alan McClung and Campus Pastor Jimmy Harper presented all the graduates with Bibles, a time-honored





tradition.

The commencement service took place the following morning. Dr. James D. Mallory gave the commencement address. "He imparted a lot of wisdom and helped us focus on using what we have learned at Lee to the glory of God," said graduate Megan Joellenbeck.

Afterwards President Conn awarded 200 undergraduate and 16 graduate degrees. In his letter to the graduates, President Conn reminded them, "You have tested your beliefs and cultivated an ability to integrate your faith and the career or ministry to which God has called you." He continued with a blessing for the graduates. "My prayer for you is that your future will be distinguished by the same traits that you have used to complete your college experience. We look forward to hearing of your successes."

The Conn Center was brimming with family and friends who came from far and near to see their loved ones receive diplomas. Sophomore Iris Clement, an usher at the ceremonies, said, "As ushers, we had to be in our positions an hour and a half before the service, and it was completely full by about 45 minutes before it started." Those attending had to have tickets due to limited seating.

Joellenbeck's parents came all the way from Brazil where they were missionaries. Joellenbeck said, "My favorite part was finding my family in the crowd immediately after commencement." Her parents also had the pleasure of a chat with Dr. Conn. "I did not get to talk to Dr. Conn except to say thanks as I was getting my diploma," Joellenbeck said, "but he talked to my parents on the way to commissioning for a while."

Graduation brought many changes and decisions, but it was also a time to celebrate the good memories of college. Joellenbeck said the relationships formed at Lee were the highlight of her college experience. McGrath also said that the best part of being at Lee was "meeting all the great friends God provided."

Since graduation, McGrath worked in an orphanage in Guatemala and has taught at an alternative high school. Joellenbeck plans to travel and "enjoy a break from academics." *Copy by Christina Mihai. Layout by Chris Sirico.*

Spring Graduation



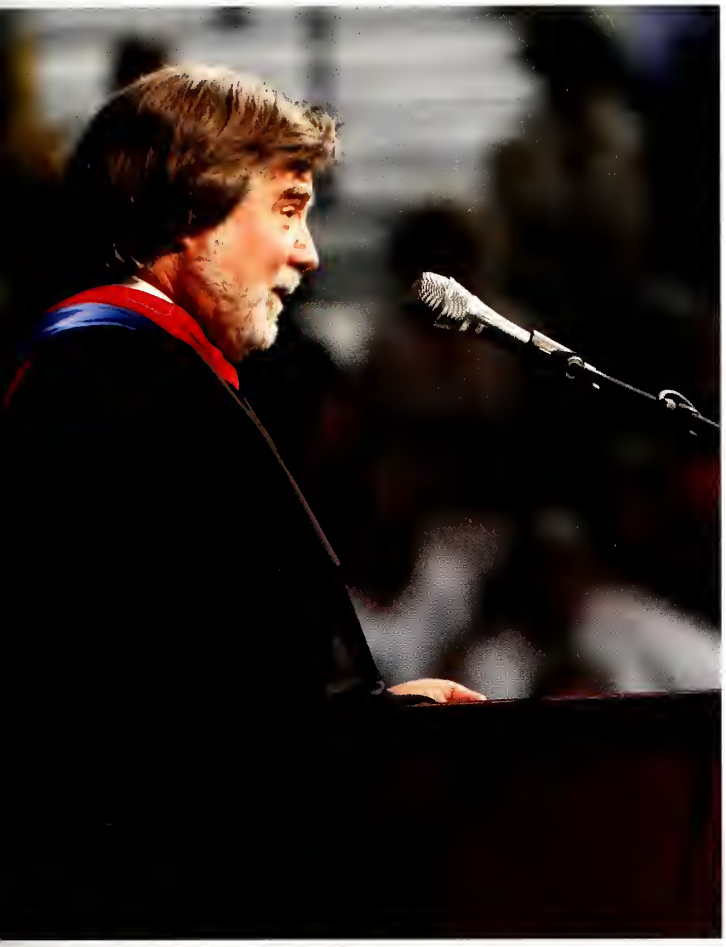
A seo of groduates prepore to wolk the stoge. *Photos by Mike W*

Spring graduates dashed through the rain, grasping onto their cops, os they sought shelter under the crowded awning of the Walker Arena. Once grads squeezed into alphabetically organized lines, cell phones glowed and beeped to call parents. Phroses like, 'Are you here yet? Well, they're letting parents in now,' or comments such as, 'You haven't left the house yet? Well, they won't let you in if you are here late,' could be heard amongst anxious students.

President Paul Conn joked thot although late family members hod plenty of space in the Conn Center, students should be wary of pushing grondparents off into the extra seating ocross campus becouse, after all, they were the ones with the checkbooks after graduation. But some students, such as Sara Renee Murray, didn't need to worry about how many tickets she had, whether her parents would be there on time or if her hair w ld be ruined by the rain.

"I wasn't able to participate in the graduation ceremonies bec se I, unowore of the graduation dote, booked a wedding to photograph at weekend and signed o contract and had to honor it," said Murroy. "I w ld have liked to wolk, definitely, just to porticipate and see my classmate ne last time and to bring closure to the four years thot I have spent here."

But omidst the unfortunate weother, students enjoyed their gradu on as chapel favorite Joe Novenson spoke at the commencement ceren ny. Afterwards all 351 graduates mixed ond mingled, introduced their pa nts to educators ond friends and began soying their finol farewells to eir Lee fomily.



Yet, saying goodbye was hard for some. Tony Matthews said, "I pushed graduation requirements to the last minute. I turned in my 60 required hours at the very last minute. I paid my $1.20 fine to the library at the last minute–in pennies and nickels, because they couldn't take checks. I was in denial of the looming end to my collegiate career. I was literally the last person to pick up their cap and gown, as I picked it up an hour before commissioning started. I want to say that I was procrastinating, but that's not true. I just wanted to hang onto the serene thought that, 'Hey, I'm just going home for the summer. I'll be back in ole Clevegas in a few months.'"

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LEFT: Postor Joe Navensan speaks ot the cammencement ceremany.

BELOW: Grods duck under fram the roin as they wait for the ceremanies ta begin.









in one form or another

In recent yeors Lee University hos grown in the departments concerning the imogination and creativity and hove thus begun to gain more ortists ond creativity-inclined octivity. In order to showcase some of the works from the growing artistic community, the Student Expressions section was added to the Lee University yearbook in 2006. This section showcoses vorious ortistic creotions from o wide voriety of Lee's unique and creative minds.

Student Expressions showcases student-created forms of art, ranging from pointings and drawings to photography ond graphic design to poetry ond short stories. Becouse ort is such o difficult word to describe and define, the featured 'art' may range from surreal to profound to ordinary or unique. All are Lee created, and the authors and creators of the works showcase their pieces or articles with pride and satisfaction.

Some of these were created as a hobby; others were created in lieu to their course studies and future career options. These creations are heortfelt ond contoin a rich vocobulary of emotions and insight, whether they ore a pointed image, surreol photogroph or o corefully written work.

Feel free to enjoy the expressive works contoined within, toking time to get to know the pieces of work ond their respective ortists. *Copy by Michael Gillum. Layout by Elizabeth Compton.*



Clarity, Alex Lisic

The Second Circle
by Mandy Panos

Ears pop violently and glassy eyes fly
Open to blinding city lights
As I arrive. Abandoned,
Memories crystallize, threatening
To send me hydroplaning
Over the embankment of time.
Last thoughts in a taxi ride:
Smoggy bubble over the crater, L.A.,
Overripe tangerines littered the bee-infested
Ice plant outside a Pepto-Bismol pink bedroom,
Salted air weaved through Sago palms,
The clarity of constellations in your eyes
One moon-drenched June night. Remnant memories drip
Into cupped hands, you bring them to your lips
Like the cup of blood at Mass. We're sitting,
Listening to the familiar ocean lapping
Against the Oceanside Pier. At 3 AM
The party's just getting started
Across El Camino in a bungalow of drunkards
And addicts, where you spend most nights. Raw,
I feel the texture of cracked wood against my legs,
Concentrate on the scabbing tattoo
Pressed into your sun-soaked skin.
I slice the silence, "Petrified wood is a curious condition,
Organic matter replaced by lifeless elements."
You're writhing in the second circle of hell, clutching
Insatiable sins, too high to understand my implication,
Drifting amongst the buttery stars with hope
Swept out by your hardened heart.



Untitled, Brandon Spell



Disguised, Brandon Spell



Girl, Tony Diamond





the wishing tree, Alex Lisic



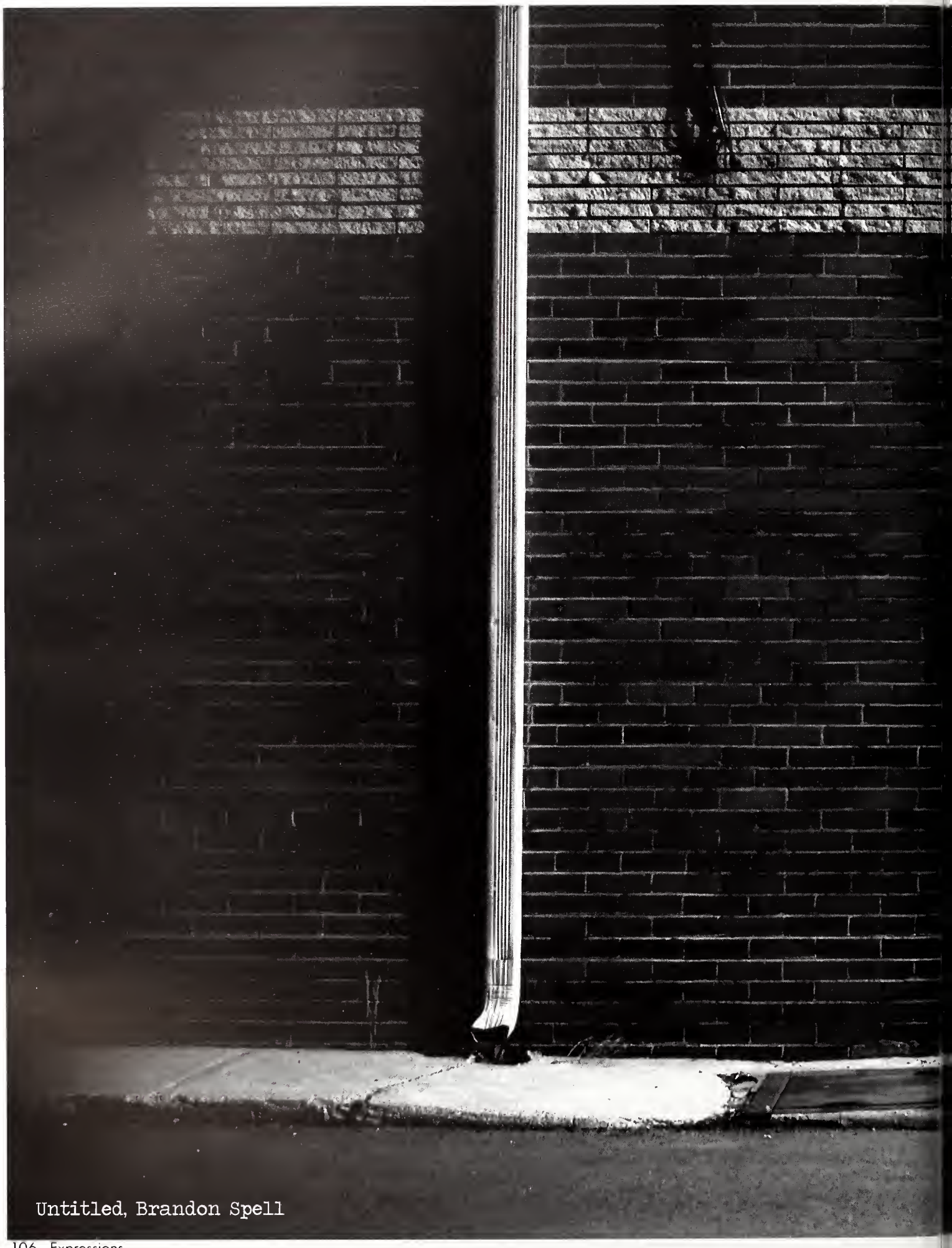
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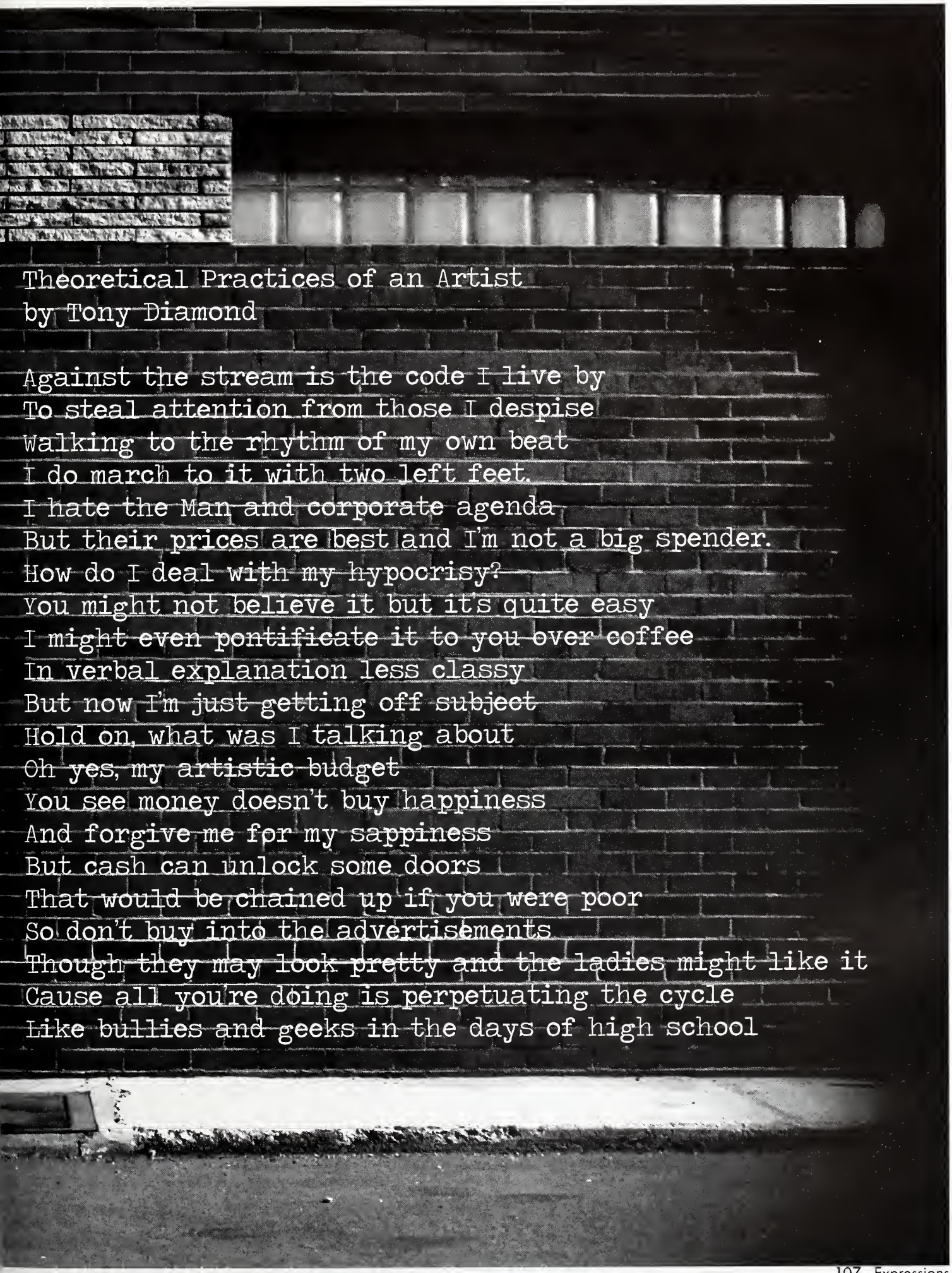
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Theoretical Practices of an Artist
by Tony Diamond

Against the stream is the code I live by
To steal attention from those I despise
Walking to the rhythm of my own beat
I do march to it with two left feet.
I hate the Man and corporate agenda
But their prices are best and I'm not a big spender.
How do I deal with my hypocrisy?
You might not believe it but it's quite easy
I might even pontificate it to you over coffee
In verbal explanation less classy
But now I'm just getting off subject
Hold on, what was I talking about
Oh yes, my artistic budget
You see money doesn't buy happiness
And forgive me for my sappiness
But cash can unlock some doors
That would be chained up if you were poor
So don't buy into the advertisements
Though they may look pretty and the ladies might like it
Cause all you're doing is perpetuating the cycle
Like bullies and geeks in the days of high school







Brief Something Series, Sworup Ranjit


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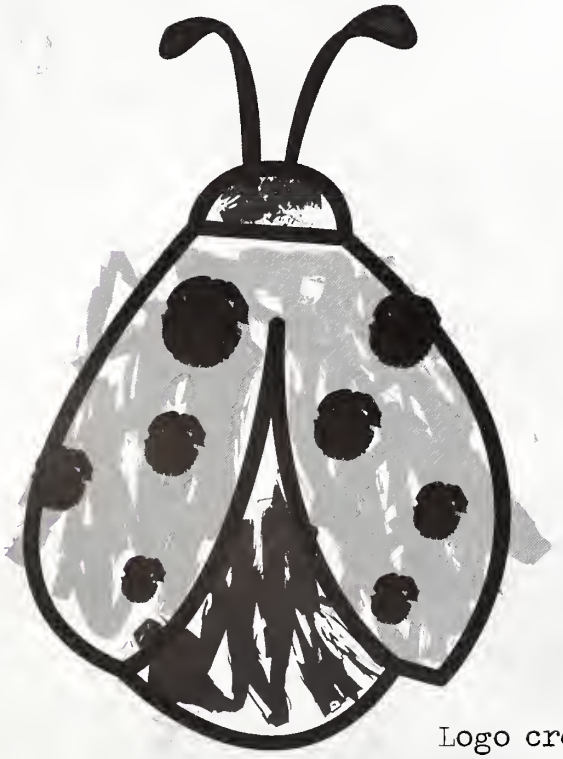
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Today
By Sara Silvarrey

I woke up this morning waiting to see what awaits me. The animation overtakes my essence and I cannot control it. A jovial force is rested within me and I rejoice. My heart is skipping beats but it is ok. I cannot contain this joy I have. My spirit cannot rest. I sing and dance there is no containment in my being at the moment. It is still early in the morning and nothing happened to me yet but I rejoice because this is a day that I was blessed with. I was given another breath to breath, given another smile to rest upon my face, given another heartbeat and another chance to love.



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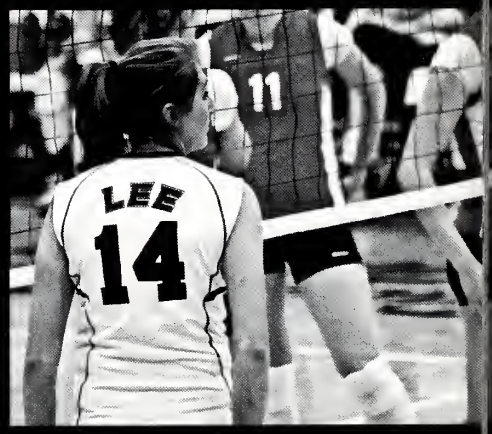


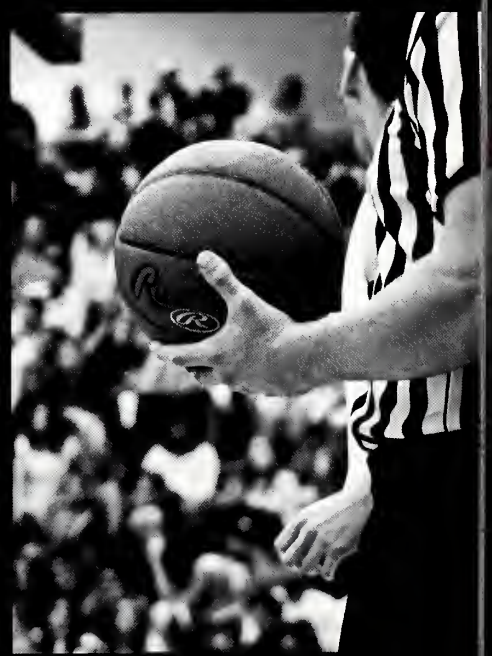
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out doing the competition

Lee University is a place where athletics can appeal to just about anyone at just about any time. Sure, it has the spirit and competition to appeal to the hardcore sport fanatics, but it also has the reservation and temporal serenity to charm even the most passive sports fan.

For those active in the athletic circuit, Lee University offers 12 team sports in the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics for both men and women athletes. Ranging from basketball to cheerleading to soccer, Lee University has sport teams to bring out the competitive spirit in just about anyone. Some say that it's just a matter of time before Lee gets finally gets its collegiate football team.

But Lee University's sports aren't just for the constant athlete. There are also spirited intramurals that match the ferocity and animation of any other Lee University athletic event. These intramural teams comprise of a wide range of students from an even wider range of spirited backgrounds. Random groups of friends, rowdy groups of dorm students and even Greek clubs are all able to meet and compete on the intramural field of athletics.

Lee University also has some of the best fans any school could ask for. The spirited students at Lee University can chant and stomp and scream better than any other school – all the while still remaining a Christ-centered attitude.

You want athletics? Lee University's your place. *Copy by Michael Gillum. Layout by Elizabeth Compton.*

volleyball

Diversity in Unity

The Lee University Lady Flames Volleyball Team followed a pattern of integrating multiple international athletes in the program. Last year, five members represented regions apart from the continental United States including Bosnia/Herzegovina, Hawaii and Nicaragua.

Like any sports team, the Lady Flames have been dealt their share of difficulties; but with an ethnically diverse squad, they encountered several additional challenges. According to Assistant Head Coach Kevin Hudson, the most monumental tests throughout the years included language and terminology. Despite those challenges, the players were able to reach beyond cultural barriers and were able to "embrace the team concept." Hudson continued by saying that the internationality and diversity of the team "opened the American players' minds" and allowed those players to fully accept that each player came to the court with her unique story and ability.

The cultural differences within the team were a factor that brought the players closer together during their experiences together. Hudson proved the closeness of the team with the example of how several members of the team attended a teammate's wedding. He said, "The chemistry has reached beyond the painted lines of the volleyball court, expanded into their individual lives and linked them together to form a connection that cannot be easily severed."

The Lady Flames have had a history of winning records and conference titles. This year was no different, except that the team fell slightly short of their ultimate goal, which was to succeed in the national tournament. However, failing to reach that goal did not leave them in t doldrums. When questioned about the foundati of this group of competitors, Hudson respond with the phrase, "commitment to success." mentioned that all of his athletes have work hard in practice and in the classroom. Huds also observed that each player had the desire make it back to the national tournament. Dur the season, Hudson felt the team invested in th academics as well as in improving their athle abilities, and they aspired to achieve their ful potential both on and off the court. The team's h work was noticed by more than just their coa Kevin Rockhold, a fan of the Lady Flames, s "They're all amazing girls and they've work very hard to get to their current skill level."

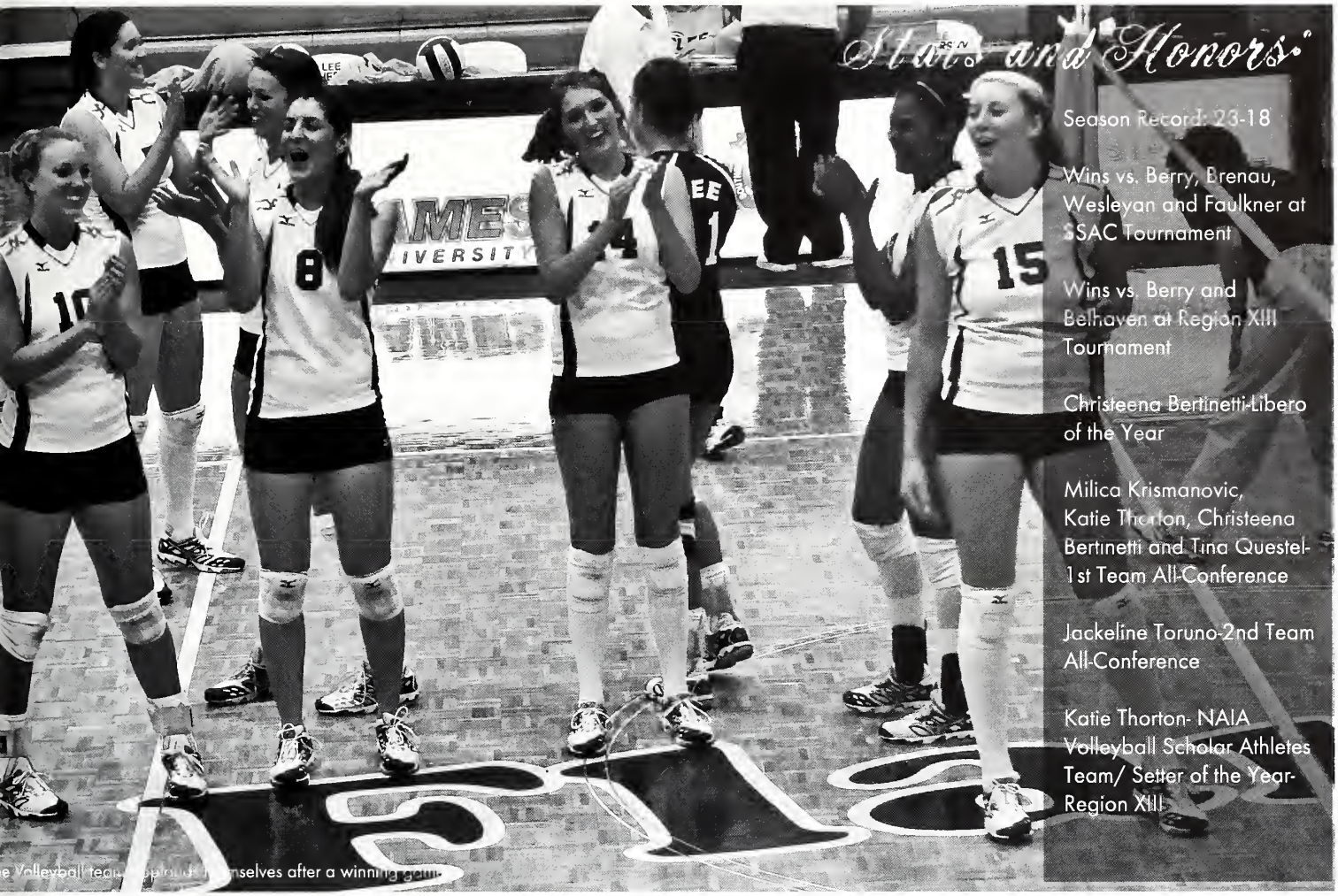
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Back Row: Kevin Hudson, Andrea Hudson, [illegible] Milica Krsmanovic, Rebekah Eble, Gordana Maric, Vedrana Krsmanovic, Rachel Huber, Bojana Hyatt.



e Volleyball team proud themselves after a winning game.

Stats and Honors:

Season Record: 23-18

Wins vs. Berry, Brenau, Wesleyan and Faulkner at SSAC Tournament

Wins vs. Berry and Bethaven at Region XIII Tournament

Christeena Bertinetti-Libero of the Year

Milica Krismanovic, Katie Thorton, Christeena Bertinetti and Tina Questel- 1st Team All-Conference

Jackeline Toruno-2nd Team All-Conference

Katie Thorton- NAIA Volleyball Scholar Athletes Team/ Setter of the Year- Region XIII

PROFILE: TINA QUESTEL



Paratina "Tina" Questel, an outside hitter on the Lee University Lady Flames Volleyball Team, journeyed a long way not only from her home in Pear City, Hawaii but also from her original dream of becoming a professional soccer player. Because Questel earned quite a name in collegiate volleyball, many students would not guess that she spent the majority of her high school years pouring herself into her initial love, soccer.

Questel began her involvement with sporting events at age eight in the community soccer league. As she matured, so did her capacity for more competitive levels of athletics, which she thought she could not find in volleyball: "Volleyball was just too girly for me. I would hang out with the guys; I was a tomboy. Soccer was what I did." However, the circumstances changed when Questel entered high school. She had made the varsity soccer and JV basketball teams her freshman year. Her basketball coach suggested she play volleyball during the off-season to stay in shape, thus leading to Questel's position as middle blocker on the vorsity volleyball team. Questel reflected upon this experience, "Since it was new, I just ate it up. The upperclassmen were really experienced and talented, so I tried to learn from them." Her efforts showed in her game as multiple club volleyball teams were scouting her and offered her invitations to play in their programs. In time, one event led to another, and Head Coach Andrea Hudson offered her the opportunity to play for the Lady Flames.

Throughout her journey, Questel overcame multiple obstacles, but one stood out more than others: "I was told I would never make it in college. But here I am a junior, and I'm making it. I cared so much that I did what I had to so I could play."

The Long Race

Caach Donald Jayroe brought a brand new approach ta running far the Wamen's Cross Cauntry team during his first year caaching. Of the team's response to his new approach to training, Jayrae said, "They responded ta it the way I expected them to. If I could have picked the best case scenario, that's what happened." The runners had a serious training schedule; as Jayroe braught a year-raund philosophy to their training: "Lang distance runners run year round."

Coach Jayrae felt that at regianal's, the girls worked hard and achieved results that shawed their hard work and dedication paid off. Every girl ran their best race; each girl ran their fastest time, an the same day, when it meant the most to them as a team. Every girl running their best race an the same day surprised Jayrae, he said, "I can't tell you haw rare that is." Based on their training and preparation, their ultimate goal to win regionals was recagnized. "That it happened as perfectly as it did, well, that's something they shauld be proud of. It was a beautiful sight ta see," said Jayrae.

The girls win at nationals made history far Lee. It was the first time the team went together. Natianals was the first time in the women's crass country history that they were able ta compete at and exceed the level af prestige which Berry College's runners have held. The fact that they were able to get a win enabled them ta gain a vast amount af self respect.

Caach Jayroe said that the runners are a source of inspiratian far him. "Ta see them doing so well on their workauts, and running together so well, it's the mast rewarding thing for me. I laak forward to it everyday." The runners alsa felt that running was rewarding, as Anne Houghton expressed, "Running is a love hate relationship for mast peaple including myself. There are a few individuals that find it pure joy, but I think the majarity wauld tell you it is a bittersweet relatianship for them. It is a very rewarding sport, and it is difficult to explain the pull that a persan feels toward it. You just have ta do it ta understand. I have played almost every sport aut there and I would have ta say that it's not like any ather."

Running takes a certain amount of dedication; as Jayroe said, "It is a lifestyle." The results of the team's hardwork shows they made terrific pragress in living the lifestyle of a runner. For future goals, Jayroe said, "I believe we can make the same progress; it takes time, but this is just the beginning."

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Anne Haughttan runs ta her fullest patential thraughaut the race.

PROFILE: ANNA HRUSHKA



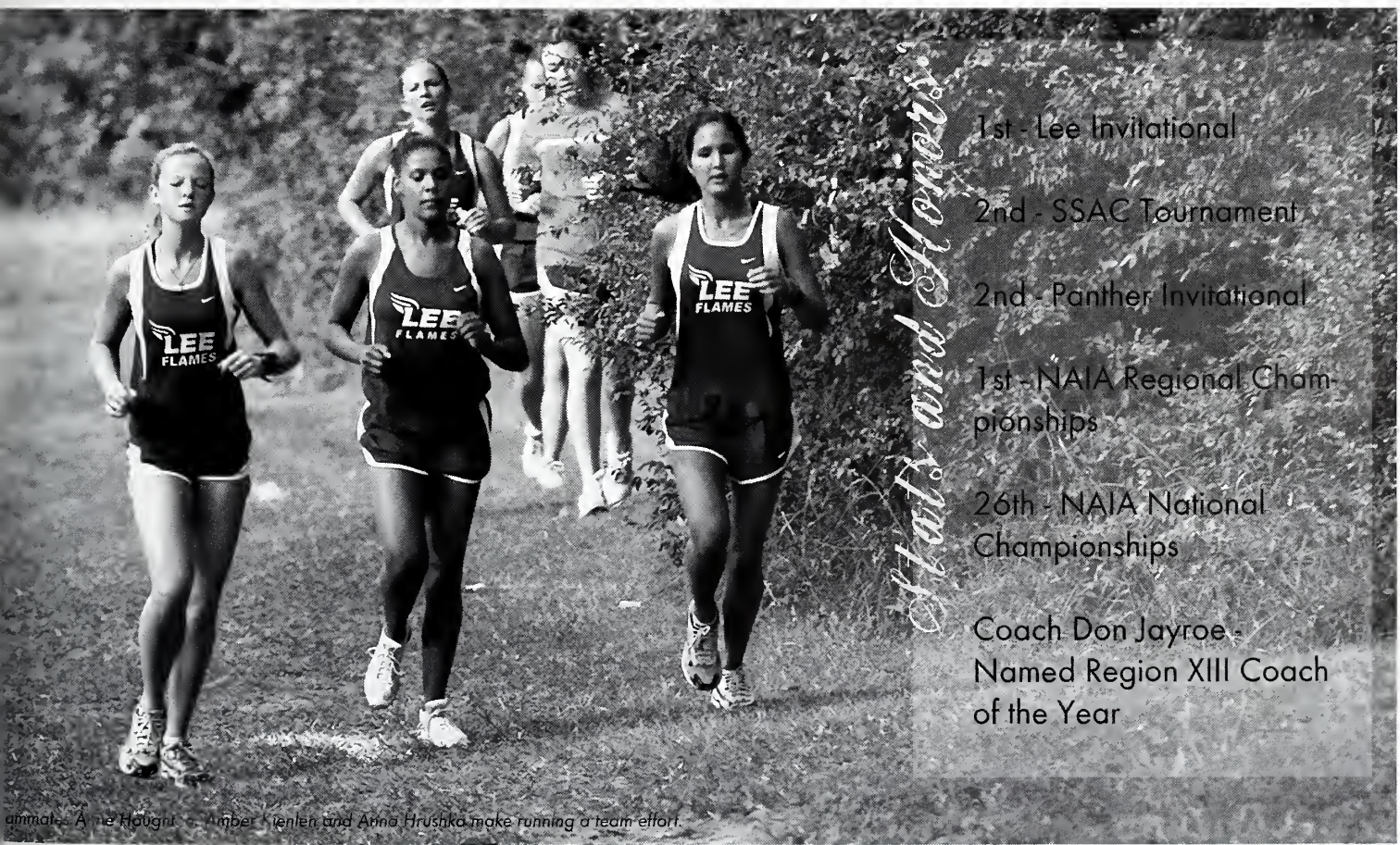
Sometimes activities that become an important aspect of one's life start out as a lighthearted, fun hobby. Anna Hrushka made this discovery when she participated in her first 5K race at the age of twelve with her sister. Of the race, Hrushka said, "We took it easy–it was strictly fun." Hrushka ended up placing first in this fun race, with her sister right behind her in second place.

Hrushka's ultimate decision to become a runner rested mainly on her dad's experience. Her dad, a runner himself, encouraged her to start running. He was also the coach for her middle school team. "He was my first coach. I enjoyed it; but if it wasn't for him, I wouldn't have run," said Hrushka about her decision to start her running career.

Growing up in a military family, Hrushka did her share of traveling. During her travels she had the opportunity to run in many different countries, such as Guam and Germany. While she loved running and devoted herself to it during the season, she also realized that "there had to be a balance" to her life.

Her first thoughts upon coming to Lee were about being here to run. But with time, Hrushka said, "I'm here for school, to get my education." Hrushka, a sophomore, also had other hobbies and was involved in other things on campus. She played the violin, loved playing soccer and was a member of the International Student Fellowship. She was a Communications major, leaning toward an emphasis in Journalism. "I want something that takes me places. I would love to live in Europe."

Even out of season, running continued to be a big part of Hrushka's life. The team still held regular practices; and of her teammates she said, "We still hang out, even out of season. We've all bonded so well; the chemistry on the team is awesome."



Annalee Haught, Amber Kienlen and Anna Hrushka make running a team effort.

Flat'n and Proud

1st - Lee Invitational

2nd - SSAC Tournament

2nd - Panther Invitational

1st - NAIA Regional Championships

26th - NAIA National Championships

Coach Don Jayroe - Named Region XIII Coach of the Year

men's cross country

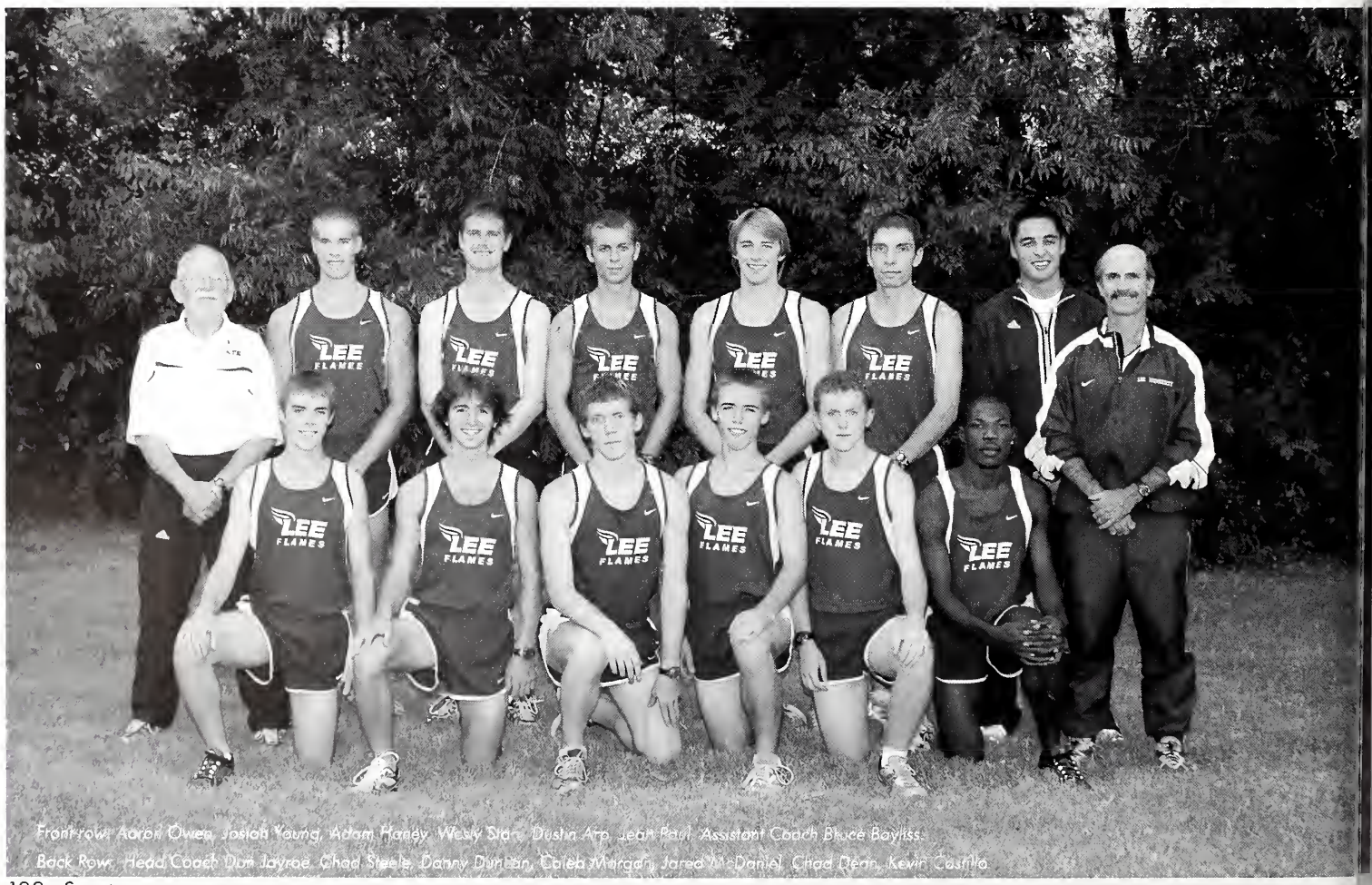
The Long Road

"The Men's Cross Country team was blessed with a great group of men that brought the team from the cellar to the main floor," said Coach Donald Jayroe about the team's vast improvement during the season. At regionals, the top five runners on the team were all new members. Jayroe said, "In a field of 88 runners, our first four runners placed in the top sixteen, with our fifth finisher in 26th place." The team went from finishing ninth overall in the previous year's regionals to finishing third.

The team had a serious training schedule to follow, but the runners "worked hard and well together," said Jayroe. During his first year coaching the team, Jayroe brought his year round running philosophy to the team. Sophomore and team co-captain Caleb Morgon gave his opinion of training: "The training was a lot harder than any of us had ever done before," but the runners "helped bring each other up." Morgon said, "A lot of us would have bad days from soreness, fatigue and just not feeling great. We would try to motivate each other and keep it fun." Morgon mentioned some advice given to the team from their coach: "Coach Jayroe would always say, 'You're training all the time,' and I think he is right; everything you do is part of your training."

With their vigorous training schedules and attending meets, the team spent much time together, thus bringing them closer to one another. Morgon said, "Everyone on the team is different; we all bring something new to practice and on trips. Pretty much everyone on the team was new this year; but by the end of the season, everyone grew really close together, and I feel that is wh helped us to run our best races." He said, " they worked out together, you could see th getting closer."

Jayroe was confident of the team achievi the running goals they set for their future. "Th are such a good group, and they're only go to get better." With the progress they have ma Coach Jayroe also said, "We want to mak to national's." Morgon had the same opini "I think this is a realistic goal at the rate team is improving; I feel confident that this happen." *Copy by Beth Harbin and Savannah Squ Layaut by Savannah Squires. Phatas by George Starr*



Front row: Aaron Owen, Josiah Young, Adam Haney, Wesly Starr, Dustin Arp, Jean Paul, Assistant Coach Bruce Bayliss.
Back Row: Head Coach Don Jayroe, Chad Steele, Danny Duncan, Caleb Morgan, Jared McDaniel, Chad Dean, Kevin Castillo.



re Jean Paul, Josiah Young, and Chad Dean train to their fullest potential.

Stats and Honors:

2nd - Lee Invitational

3rd - SSAC Invitational

3rd- NAIA Region XIII Championship

NAIA Region XIII Championship Stats:

Chad Dean- 5th
Josiah Young-16th
Wesley Starr-26th
Jarad McDaniel-40th
Chad Steele-41st
Jean Paul-44th
Aaron Owen-47th
(Out of 83 runners)



Some people are faced with life threatening challenges that they overcome; due to those challenges they are able to offer encouragement to others. This is the case with Chad Dean, a 26-year-old freshman, who as a distinguished runner and team captain left his mark on the cross-country program. When Chad was born he was not living and was actually not expected to be able to be resuscitated, but he was. Throughout his childhood he experienced many other near death situations, such as a bike accident and nearly drowning in a creek. Yet God brought him through those situations and blessed him with the talent to run. The most recent challenge Dean was able to make it through was a double hernia surgery in 2006.

Growing up Dean ran throughout his school years; competing and winning in the steeplechase run his senior year in high school, which placed him as third in the nation. To Dean, this was one of his biggest accomplishments in his running career. Dean decided to come to Lee, as a business major, after accomplishing another goal dear to his heart. At the age of 24, Dean was a well-established real estate builder and investor.

Once Dean arrived here he immediately began to run and improve his times after recovering from his surgery. Dean's hard work paid off when he went to Regionals and ran his best race of the season thus gaining the opportunity to compete on the National level. While he felt he fell short of his goal of All-American this last season, Dean felt that the team improved tremendously. Dean said, "Although it took some runners awhile to adjust to the difficult level of training, the team's improvement throughout the season came along quite a bit." Throughout the rest of his years running at the collegiate level and beyond Dean says he will continue to be inspired by 1 Corinthians 9:24, "Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize."

With a "Goal" in Mind

The Lee University Lady Flames soccer team continued their trend of successful seasons. Once again, they journeyed far into the post season and competed in the semi-final round. However, making it to the final four of the tournament did not come on its own. Coach Matthew Yelton accepted nothing but excellence from his athletes; he pushed his players to exert their total efforts while on the field. The team dedicatedly invested their energy in practice every day, including on the weekends. A series of victories showed that the time and energy the team dedicated paid off. Sophomore spectator Dan Guffey of the men's basketball program at Lee University stated that, "It was fun to be a part of a winning atmosphere."

Chelsea Eisnaugle, a freshman on the women's soccer team, reflected upon the team's leadership: "Our team had only one senior, Jana Novaes. She was such a motivating player whose collection of awards made the team want to work harder." Novaes's athletic talent not only captured numerous honors, but her abilities also awed the audience as well. Freshman baseball player Jeff Ibarra said, "One of the main reasons I came was to watch Novaes. She's one of the greatest players I have ever seen."

According to Eisnaugle, the squad practiced a memorable ritual prior to every game: "On the bus before away games, our team would play upbeat music to get us pumped up, and we did the same in the locker room before home games. One time our coach asked us if we were trying to provide music for the whole campus because we had it turned up so loudly."

Aaron Alldaffer, also a member of Lee's men's basketball program, offered his support in saying, "I was quite proud to tell people I was from Lee University and that our women's soccer team was the best in the nation; I look forward to supporting the Lady Flames throughout the forthcoming seasons."

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Janaina Noveas plays to her fullest in every game.

PROFILE: KRISTINA CHASE



Chase came to Lee leaving her family in Miami in pursuit of a collegiate soccer career. When picking out which university she wanted to go to she had a few ideas in mind, such as a Christian school where she could pursue her academic goals and fulfill her passion for playing soccer. After visiting Lee, Chase felt the girls were, "very nice and fun" thus she decided that it was the place for her to be.

Through soccer, she played soccer in Italy, Switzerland, Mexico and Spain. While traveling to other countries to play soccer Chase also had the chance to meet famous soccer players Renaldo, Zidane and David Beckham. Despite all of the amazing places she had the opportunity to visit and the famous people she had the chance to meet, Chase's favorite memory from soccer was from a time when her team traveled to nationals. During the trip, the team went out to eat at a restaurant where a band was playing, some of her team members got on stage and began dancing, which excited the entire team, and they all enjoyed themselves immensely. Chase said, "The team is like a family, I'm closer to them now than my own family. The coach and his wife are like our second parents. They even cooked us Thanksgiving dinner."

In addition to her responsibility of being team captain, Chase studied for her health science major, spent time with her boyfriend, kept in touch with her mother, who she was very close to, and when at home enjoyed going to the beach as often as possible. She also loved to dance and hoped to travel the entire world and see many sights and meet new people. Chase said that she tried to stay well rounded but her love for soccer consumed her life, and she was quite happy with that.

Stats and Honors:

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naina Noveas and
istina Chase- 1st
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The Lady Flames rush onto the field to play an intense game, hopeful to come away with a win.

men's soccer

A scoring season

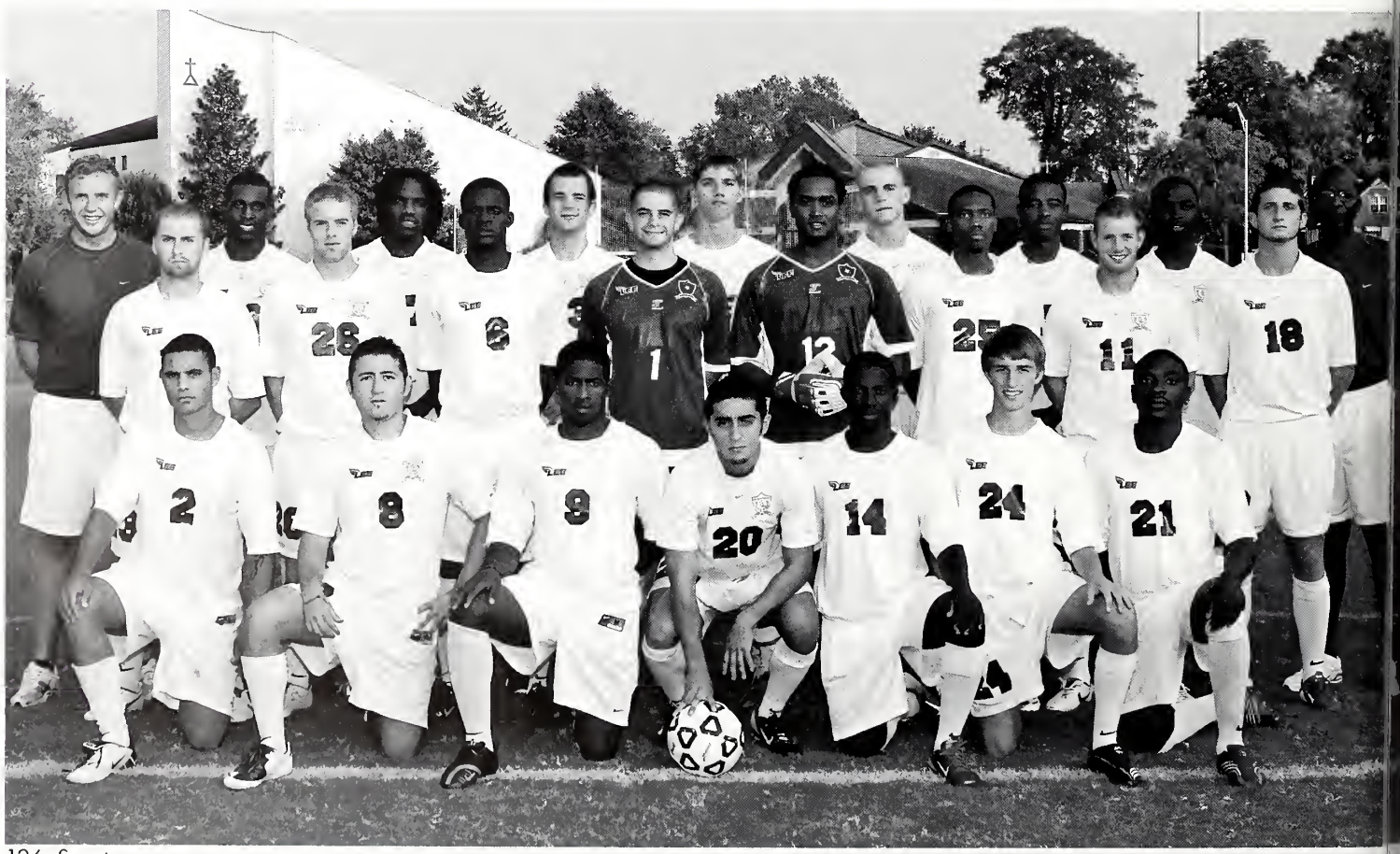
Men's soccer coach Henry Moyo said the most important aspect of his team was respect. "Respect is a key character for us. It is emphasized from pre-season training, on and off the field." Thus, it came as no surprise that Moyo said, "The team is very easy to work with. It is a great privilege for me."

Player Stanley Nyazamba said, "Soccer is a team sport, and everyone has to be on the same page to succeed, we have always given everything on the field in practice or at games." Another player, Michael Simmons said, "The guys work very well together." In regards to their work ethic, Nyazamba said that the team "encouraged one another to work hard and stay disciplined."

Of the players Moyo said, "They have personal goals for coming to Lee. They all bring talents that are above and beyond, that's why we've had success. They are so skilled and professional." While Moyo felt the team was not perfect, he said, "The team works hard to provide something higher than the basic level." Nyazamba agreed and added, "Overall, everyone was influential in what we achieved both on and off the field."

Moyo didn't feel it was necessary to pay attention to stats, instead he wanted to focus on what the team needed to achieve for regionals and nationals. Moyo summed up his feelings on the team's success last season, "The team did very well; we didn't go to nationals, but it was a very solid, successful season. We competed at conference level." Moyo also focused on the achievement of individual players. He said, "That's what matters, that they have developed, grown, matured. It becomes something personal–that's where success comes from."

Moyo said that two players going professional added to the success of the season and Lee's soccer program itself. "That was just the icing on the cake for us. It was a very good season; I really enjoyed it. *Copy by Beth Harbin. Layout by Savannah Squires. Phatas by Janchai Mantrelerdrasme and Gearge Starr.*



Stats:

Overall stats:
16 wins
5 losses
draws

Conference stats:
5 wins
2 losses
2 draws

Non-Conference sstats:
11 wins
3 losses
1 draw

Average goals scored per game:
3


Stanley Nyazamba captures the ball for a drive down field.

PROFILE: RICARDO PIERRE-LOUIS



When Ricardo Pierre-Louis first came to Lee to play soccer, he said, "I didn't speak English. The team helped me through that and to really become a part of them." Of the soccer team, Pierre-Louise said, "We are not only a team, we are a family. People here care about you as a person, not only a player. That helps make us successful."

Pierre-Louis from Haiti, started playing soccer at the age of six. "I started playing in elementary school, and on the weekends, I played in the street with my friends." Then, he was recruited for the town soccer team at the age of ten. When he was thirteen, Pierre-Louise moved to a National Academy specifically for soccer. During that time, he traveled to approximately fifty different countries and acquired the ability to speak five different languages.

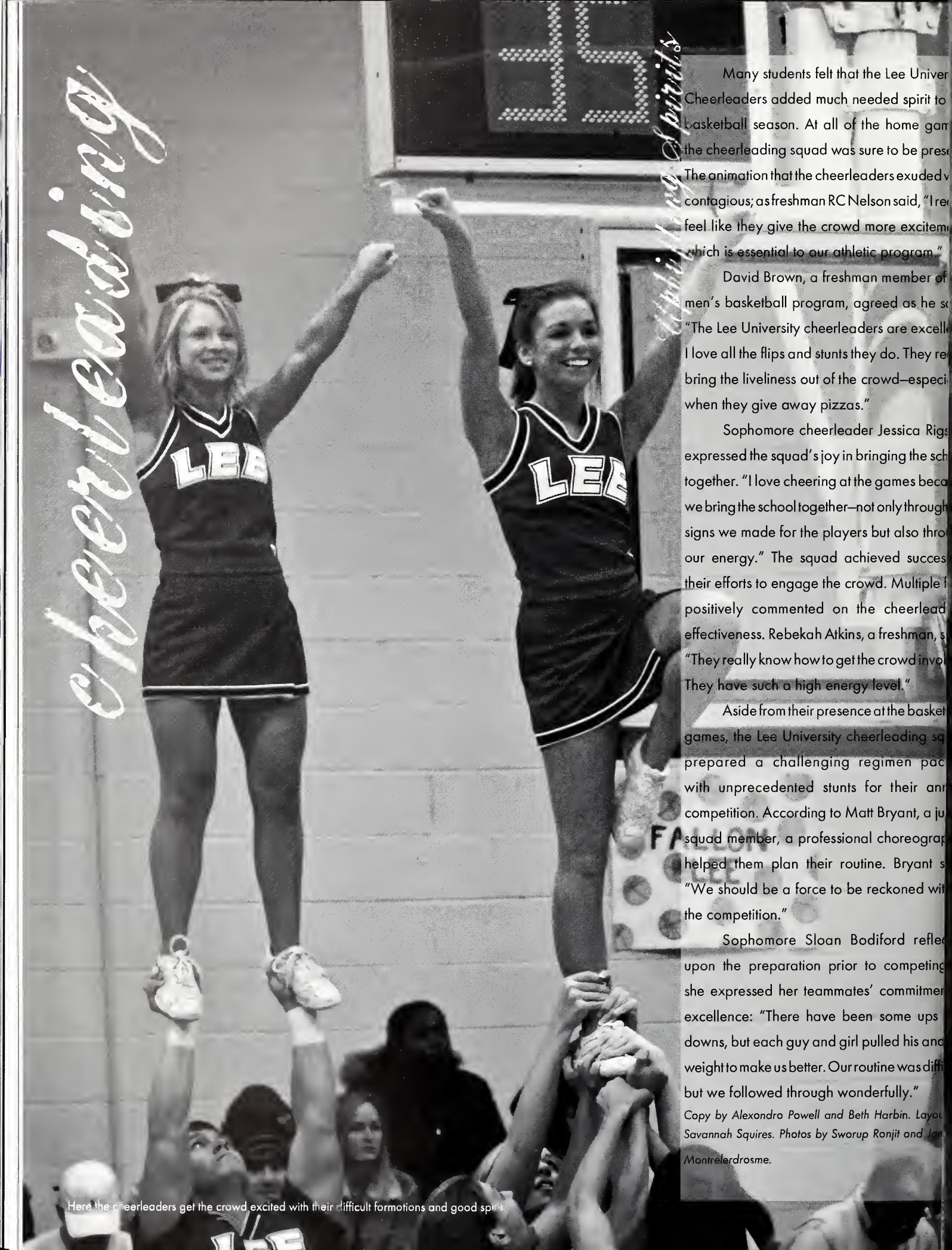
By 17, Pierre-Louis was the only person his age in Haiti to play for four different categories of national teams. Pierre-Louis came to Lee when he met Coach Moyo while playing soccer in South Carolina. "I decided not only to play soccer, but also to go to school. I just wanted to play professionally, but then I saw how important school really was."

He said that officially signing to play professionally was "the best feeling ever." It motivated me more to fulfill my dreams and plans for the future." Pierre-Louis said of his future in the pros, "I have something to give back. The money that I make playing can help kids back in Haiti. It will help them use their God-given talent and get an education."

Pierre-Louis knew the requirements for success. "I try to always be positive," he said, "I always say, do good things and good things happen." These "good things" are a part of Pierre-Louis' future. He wanted to provide a center for kids in Haiti with the money he hopes to make playing professionally. He said, "I want to help the youth, the poor and the country of Haiti as a whole."

Cheerleading

Athletic spirit



Here the cheerleaders get the crowd excited with their difficult formotions and good spirit.

Many students felt that the Lee Univer
Cheerleaders added much needed spirit to
basketball season. At all of the home gam
the cheerleading squad was sure to be pres
The animation that the cheerleaders exuded v
contagious; as freshman RC Nelson said, "I re
feel like they give the crowd more excitem
which is essential to our athletic program."

David Brown, a freshman member of
men's basketball program, agreed as he s
"The Lee University cheerleaders are excell
I love all the flips and stunts they do. They re
bring the liveliness out of the crowd—especi
when they give away pizzas."

Sophomore cheerleader Jessica Rigs
expressed the squad's joy in bringing the sch
together. "I love cheering at the games beca
we bring the school together—not only through
signs we made for the players but also thro
our energy." The squad achieved succes
their efforts to engage the crowd. Multiple f
positively commented on the cheerlead
effectiveness. Rebekah Atkins, a freshman, s
"They really know how to get the crowd invol
They have such a high energy level."

Aside from their presence at the basket
games, the Lee University cheerleading sq
prepared a challenging regimen pac
with unprecedented stunts for their ann
competition. According to Matt Bryant, a ju
squad member, a professional choreograp
helped them plan their routine. Bryant s
"We should be a force to be reckoned wit
the competition."

Sophomore Sloan Bodiford refle
upon the preparation prior to competing
she expressed her teammates' commitmen
excellence: "There have been some ups
downs, but each guy and girl pulled his and
weight to make us better. Our routine was diff
but we followed through wonderfully."

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PROFILE: NICOLE CREWS

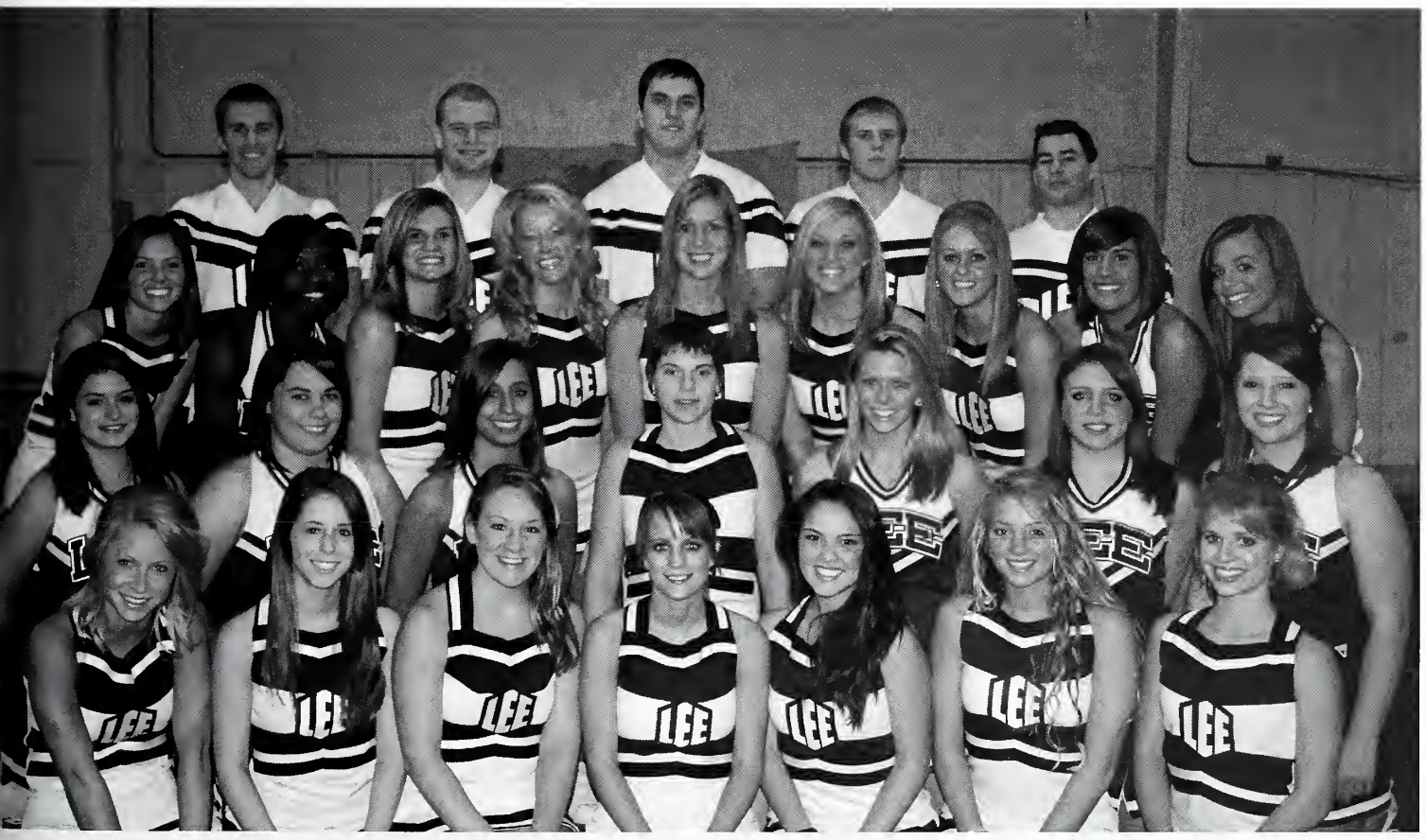


Nicole Crews owed her involvement in cheerleading to her background in dance. She was a member of a ballet company in Atlanta, her hometown. Due to an injury during her senior year of high school, she could no longer continue dancing. "Dance was something close to cheering here at Lee. I love dance, but if I hadn't come to Lee, I never would have cheered."

Crews was a member of Delta Zeta Tau and was a little sister for Pi Kappa Pi. Of the Greek club she said, "I love DZT so much." She was also involved in the Student Leadership Council and helped out with campus events and community service. Crews also participated in the after-school program at Arnold Elementary. "There are about 20 kids. We spend time with them, help them with homework and things like that. It's really cool."

When asked how she juggled it all, Crews responded, "I prioritize. My mom really taught me how to do that. I focus mostly on school work and usually it all works out; sometimes I have to miss a few things, but it's not that bad. When I get stressed out, I draw or sketch outfits. I also run or workout and listen to music; it gets my mind off of things."

Crews was an Art History major; and during the summer, she planned to attend Savannah College of Art and Design. She had big ideas for her major and design classes in the future. "I want to start my own line of clothing, handbags and shoes–the whole thing. I want to wear what I want to wear, not go out and buy the stuff. I walk into Bloomingdale's at home and think my clothes will be here one day." Crews planned to cheer for the rest of her time at Lee.



women's basketball

The Heart of the Game

The Lee University Lady Flames basketball program built upon their legacy of success and dominion over their competition. Having been ranked among the top teams in the nation, it was no surprise that the Lee student spectators found supporting the women's basketball program invigorating. Countless fans have cheered the Lady Flames to victory all season long.

Freshman Richard Pante reflected on his experience of watching their games and expressed his support: "They have a great transition game as well as a strong three-point game. Because of these two attributes, watching the Lady Flames basketball team is very exciting."

According to Lee student Josh Burchett, another aspect of their game that captures onlookers' attention was their ability to pass the ball well. This spread the team's offensive threat to each player on the court as opposed to just a few of Lee's standout athletes, creating a bit of mystery for their competition.

Head Coach Marty Rowe instilled a drive for excellence within his team. Each time they stepped on the court, they were prepared to "get down to business" and handle their fellow competitors. Additionally, the fans noticed that the team also shared a strong sense of unity, which joined the players together on a spiritual level, boosting their playing abilities even more.

Kyle Brummeler, a freshman f noted, "I can tell they're a top-rank team. I love how they encourage ea other when they're on and off of the cou Alex Noll agreed as she stated, "~ players show a sense of pride, dedicat and loyalty toward their team." Wit collective desire for victory and the tal to achieve success, it was no shock t the Lady Flames were among the b

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Stats:

Overall Stats:
26 wins
2 losses

Conference Stats
18 wins
0 losses

Non-Conference Stats:
8 wins
2 losses

Average points per game-83
Average Rebounds per game-39
Average Steals per game-12
Average Blocks per game-3



Aaron Richmond drives the ball in as her teammates watch in suspense.



Jessica Still plays tough defense against Berry College

PROFILE: JENNIFER PAUL



Jennifer Paul, a freshman business major from Spring Hill, Tenn., was a surprising addition to the Women's Basketball team. The decision for Paul to attend Lee University and play for the Lady Flames was not made until three weeks prior to the start of the fall semester.

Paul expressed that her brother gave her advice that served as the catalyst for her collegiate basketball career. "Before my last conference tournament, he said 'There are some memories we dream of reliving.' Something in that quote stirred within me. The last games were the best of any I have played before. That's what galvanized me to work hard over the summer, preparing for college ball."

Paul was supposed to attend Gadsden State Community College a few months before coming to Lee. She was going to spend two years at Gadsden to elevate her skills under a trusted coaching staff and then transfer to Belmont, a division one basketball school, where she would conclude her collegiate years. However, a week before she started school, Paul received a devastating call from the head coach at Belmont, announcing his retirement. Shortly after that news, Paul received another call from the Lady Flames head basketball coach Mark Rowe. He heard about Paul's situation and asked if she would be interested in Lee. She simply could not believe the great news. Three days following the phone call, Paul ventured to Lee to meet Coach Rowe in person. She was asked to try out for the team, and Paul signed with the team and received a full scholarship the next day.

She reflected upon her collegiate journey thus far. "There are times when I wonder why I'm playing for such a phenomenal team, straying under the top of the world, fingerprints are all over my path to Lee. When I question what I'm doing here, I remember how I got here. I have realized that God's will for my life is so much greater than my own."

A Season to Remember

The Men's Basketball team played an outstanding seasan. Their incredible 26-1 winning record shawed that the team upheld their status of success. Due to the amazing season, many mare fans showed up to watch the Flames as they made their way ta the top.

Juniar Nathan Grubb said, "The team has made many impravements since last year; their winning recard has attracted mare fans to came aut and watch their skill on the caurt."

Many other fans made pasitive remarks about the thrill of going ta watch the basketball games. Advocate basketball supporter Chike Abana said, "It is definitely entertaining, with the great three-point shots, dunks and intense do-or-die last moment come backs."

The fans not only enjoyed the season they also noticed several aspects of the spirit of the team that made them so successful. Sophomore Stephanie Gaines said, "Harold Griffin has a good spirit, even when he gets fouled or injured he still has a cheesy smile." In addition to the spirit of success the Men's Basketball program brought to Lee, many of the fans also noticed the sense of community the program carried with it. Desiree Frederick, a sophomore and a fan of the Flames, stated, "It's nice to go to a basketball game and see how much support they get from the students. Going to watch the games brings everyone together, and this shows just how good our team is." *Copy by Savannah Squires. Layout by Savannah Squires. Photos by Janchai Mantrelerdrasme.*

With his teammates on the bench, Harold Harris successfully dunks as teammate Paco Diaw waits for the rebound.

PROFILE: HAROLD GRIFFIN



Harold Griffin was a junior, Physical Education major from Jacksonville, Fla. He began his basketball career at the very early age of five due to his older brother's influence. Griffin played basketball throughout his entire childhood and throughout school. He played in high school and also at a junior college, at which time he was noticed by the Flames head coach Tommy Brown and asked to play basketball for Lee.

While Griffin seemed like a big, tough guy he had a little known soft side which included sucking his thumb up until he was around 15 years old. He had a good sense of humor and was very lighthearted. He always tried to live his life according to a saying his mom had "My mom always said, 'Do the best at all you do and give God all the glory," Griffin stated. Besides basketball, Griffin enjoyed playing Playstation. His favorite games included NBA Live and Madden '08.

Griffin felt that the team got along well and was like a big family. He also said of his coach, "The coach is cool, and he is a good coach. He has brought us this far and has kept us together."

During his years playing basketball, Griffin felt that his best memory would be of the winning season the team had in 2008. As he continued on toward his future goals of coaching basketball at the high school and eventually the college level Griffin said, "Playing here has been fun, it has had its ups and downs, but that's just like anything. As a team we have fun, it is fun meeting new people who come to the team, it has been really great."



Flames prepare for another winning game.

Stats:

Season: 26-1

Conference: 15-1

Non-conference: 11-0

Average Points per game: 89

Rebounds per game: 42

Steals per game: 10

Blocks per game: 5

Softball



The Lady Flames work hard at practice in order to play to their best potential this seas

A Striking Season

The Lady Flames Softball team rallied together once again in continuation of their past successes. At the 2007 season's conclusion, graduation left the team with multiple positions to fill, but stepping up to the challenge of taking on leadership roles was no problem for the Lady Flames as they capitalized on their talent and team chemistry, maintaining their victorious reputation.

With only three seniors, three juniors and eight underclassmen, the majority of Head Coach Emily Moore Russell's team consisted of younger players. However, these athletes built upon their strong defensive game and set goals to win the conference and regional titles as well as make it to the Elite Eight at the National Tournament. Additionally, the team focused on unity.

Junior Brittany Rowe said, "We're working on playing as one team instead of nine individuals." Rowe also commented on the team's overall objective as she noted, "We try to provide a good example of what a Lee athletic team is like."

One major dimension of the Lady Flames Softball team was their depth. Each player expanded their abilities to cover every position on the field. Russell said, "We have more depth across the board and several girls [who] can play multiple positions." Underclassman utility player Kaitlyn Grosch accepted the challenge of switching positions. Her teammate Lindsay Shein commended Grosch in saying, "[She] is amazing because she is primarily and infielder for our team but has become a catcher and an outfielder."

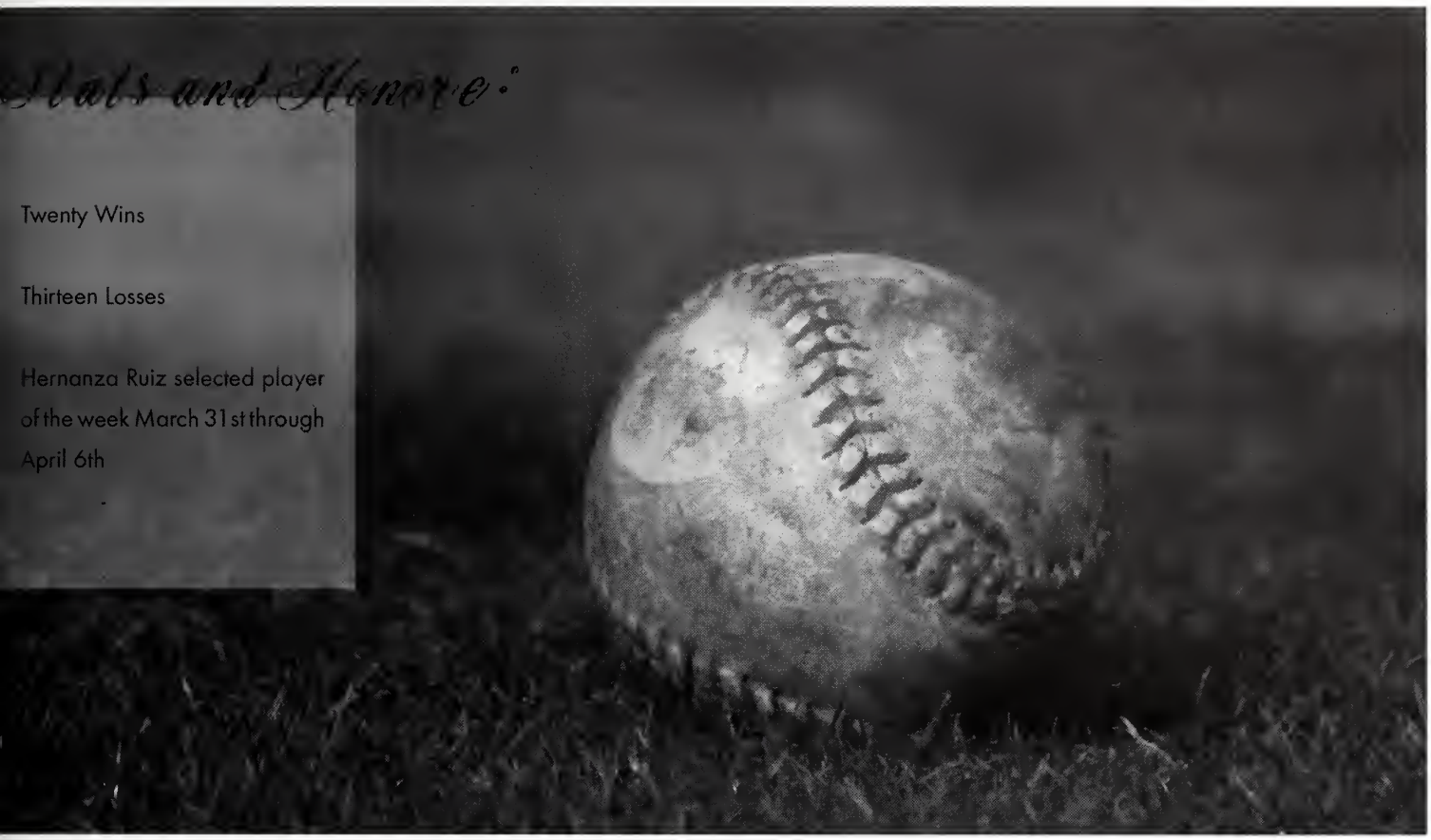
Finally, camaraderie greatly factored in the Lady Flames' success. Shein, who also played on the Women's Volleyball team, mentioned her team's noticeable companionship: "Coming in late to preseason after volleyball season, I had a hard time the first few weeks adjusting because the team had already begun to bond. I felt like I didn't fit in; but after a while, I began to feel just like part of the team." Senior Jessica Kerr agreed as she said, "We aren't just teammates, we're friends." *Copy by Alexandra Pawell. Layaut by Savannah Squires. Phatas by Shashank Shrestha and Janchai Mantreldrasme*

Hats and Homers:

Twenty Wins

Thirteen Losses

Hernanza Ruiz selected player of the week March 31st through April 6th



PROFILE: JESSICA KERR

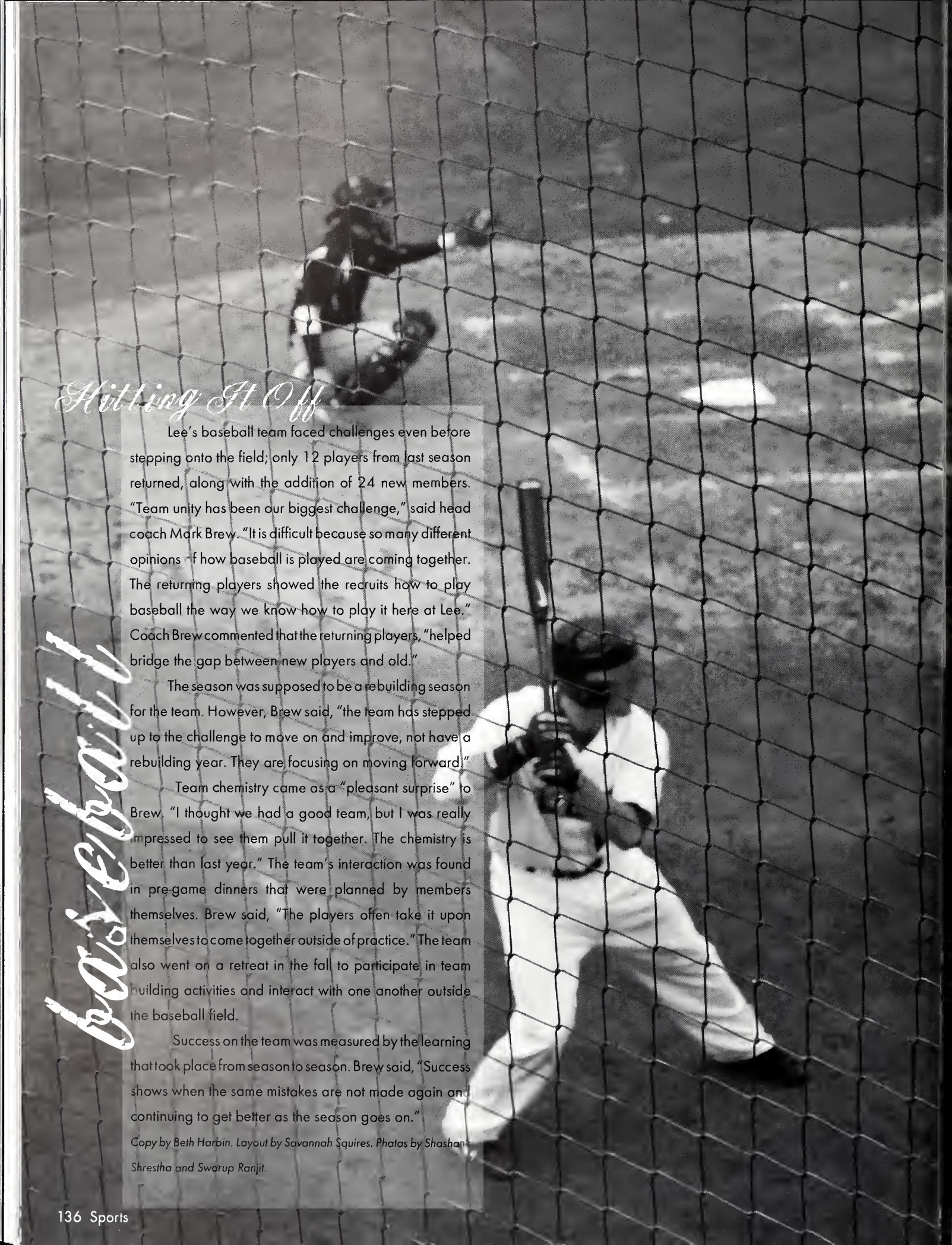


Senior communications major Jessica Kerr of Yountville, Calif. was a member of the Lee University Softball team for two years. She said that she "started playing softball when [she] was about eight years old. [Her] dad signed [her] up for the local league." From there, her career blossomed, eventually leading her to Lee's campus. Kerr also noted that her father played a tremendous role in developing her softball abilities. "My dad has been to almost every game [and] every practice and worked with me during the off-seasons. He knew nothing about softball when I started playing, and now, he has the most softball knowledge of any man I know. So, he has definitely been the biggest influence in my softball career."

Kerr attended Solano Junior College in California prior to joining the softball team at Lee as pitcher. In venturing across the country, Kerr encountered the challenge of facing homesickness, but she stated that her teammates "welcomed her with open arms, and [she] has since formed a new family that [she was] sad to leave behind" upon graduation.

Kerr reflected fondly upon the moments spent with her teammates during her time at Lee; over the course of the past two years, she and her teammates have shared in numerous memories including countless, entertaining bus rides, diving and sliding in the mud after rain showers and winning the conference title in the 2007 season, which lead to competing in the National Tournament. Kerr and her fellow softball players journeyed to her home state, California, to enjoy some sunshine over the 2008 spring break as well.

Most importantly, Kerr acknowledged the spiritual growth she experienced while being a member of Lee's Softball team: "My relationship with God has blossomed. I've done a lot with FCA, and I've learned so much about my own faith through my team. It's been a life changing two years here at Lee."



Baseball

Hitting It Off

Lee's baseball team faced challenges even before stepping onto the field; only 12 players from last season returned, along with the addition of 24 new members. "Team unity has been our biggest challenge," said head coach Mark Brew. "It is difficult because so many different opinions of how baseball is played are coming together. The returning players showed the recruits how to play baseball the way we know how to play it here at Lee." Coach Brew commented that the returning players, "helped bridge the gap between new players and old."

The season was supposed to be a rebuilding season for the team. However, Brew said, "the team has stepped up to the challenge to move on and improve, not have a rebuilding year. They are focusing on moving forward."

Team chemistry came as a "pleasant surprise" to Brew. "I thought we had a good team, but I was really impressed to see them pull it together. The chemistry is better than last year." The team's interaction was found in pre-game dinners that were planned by members themselves. Brew said, "The players often take it upon themselves to come together outside of practice." The team also went on a retreat in the fall to participate in team building activities and interact with one another outside the baseball field.

Success on the team was measured by the learning that took place from season to season. Brew said, "Success shows when the same mistakes are not made again and continuing to get better as the season goes on."

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PROFILE: JEREMY HUTSLAR



Senior Jeremy Hutslar began playing baseball at age three. "I've basically been playing ever since I could walk," said Hutslar. His dad and older brother, both baseball players, influenced Hutslar's early start in baseball and his love for the game. His brother was a source of help and encouragement: "He let me play with him and his friends," Hutslar said.

Hutslar heard about Lee and its baseball team during his senior year of high school. "I had never heard of Lee, but I went ahead and tried out for the team," said Hutslar.

Hutslar's schedule for baseball took up much of his time, but he still managed to maintain his grades at a high level. "It's hard, baseball takes up so much time, and for athletes to juggle their sport and school, it's a lot harder than most people think." Hutslar knew there had to be a balance between the two: "I play baseball, but I also know that I have a scholarship to keep up."

Hutslar described the relationship of his team as close: "Everyone pretty much gets along. It's just like a family. we quarrel and argue sometimes, but we know we'll always be there for each other in the end."

Hutslar, a Business Administration major, wanted to play professional baseball. "That's been my dream forever; I don't care where it is or who for, I'll take any chance I get," he said. His future plans also included real estate, owning a restaurant, and starting a baseball academy for kids.

Hutslar related everything in baseball back to his relationship with God. "I realize that God has blessed me with the ability to play, I try to remind myself that constantly, especially on the field. Even if I'm having a bad day playing wise, God has given me a reason to stay positive—at least I'm out there playing baseball."



Stats:

Forty-one Wins

Four Losses

Ranked #1 in regular season

e baseball team mingles as they prepare to take the field.



Serving Up Success

The Lady Flames tennis team successfully kicked off their season with multiple wins. After a strong season last year, in which the team went to nationals for the first time in history, many players were hopeful for another strong season.

rooklyn Goodell, a member of the team, shared a memory of an experience during nationals: "Last year at nationals, we ended up playing the card game Spoons just about everyday. We ended up playing 'Ultimate Spoons' which is where you get your cards, and then run to get the spoons, we played in this in a huge banquet hall. It was so funny because at one point we were all running and I looked back and my friend Amy was literally being run over by a guy on our team, it was so hilarious." This spirit of competitiveness helped to lead the team to success time after time.

The girls worked hard in order to prepare themselves for matches. They practiced Mon through Friday from one to three. Practice consis of a 20-minute warm-up, hitting rallies, workin shots, drills and matches. After theses exerci the team ended practice with conditioning. E during rainy days, the team would still prac and just condition the entire time.

Just like so many other teams, the girls that their teammates were their best friend extended family. Erin Schanke commented her feelings toward the team, "Tennis for me year has been awesome. After finishing the 20 season with a trip to the national tournament, teammates and I have worked hard to make 2008 season even better. We have become m like a family than a team and constantly push e other to succeed." *Copy ond loyout by Savannoh Sq*

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Stats and Honors

Five wins

Three lasses

Anne Claire Butler named All-Canference

Braoklyn Goadell, Amy Kresge, Kelli Miller and Erin Schanke placed on the SSAC All-Academic Squad

Team ranked 20th in pre-seson poll



Courtney Hirth swings with intensity, as her face clearly shows.

PROFILE: AMY KRESGE



"What would you attempt ta da if you knew you could not fail?" This is the question by which Amy Kresge motivates her life. Kresge said, "If you think you can't fail then yau are pushed so much further." Kresge was a junior Cammunications - Public Relations majar from Ohio. She gat her start in tennis fram her family. While growing up, her whole family played tennis. Her cousin even played professianally, and she would go to the courts with her family whenever she could.

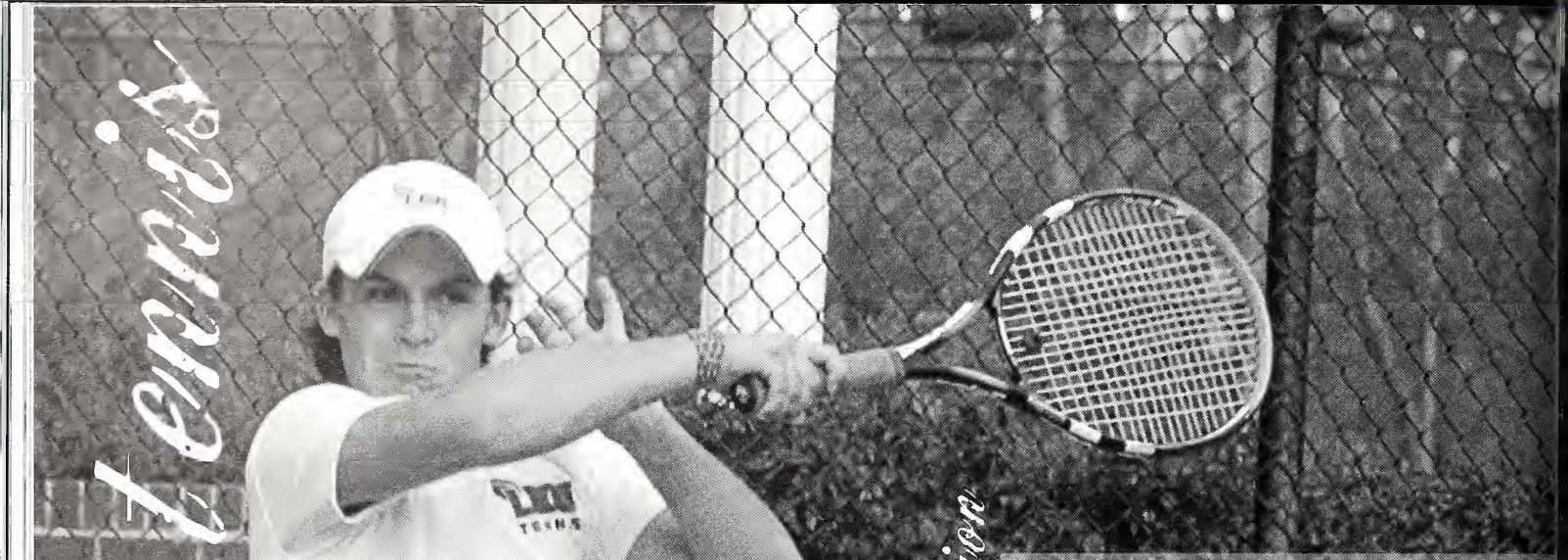
Kresge proved to be a well-rounded individual participating in several on-campus clubs, as well as investing herself in various hobbies. She was a member af Sigma Nu Sigma Greek club, PRSSA and a staff writer for the sports sectian of the Clarion. In addition ta her involvement in several extracurricular activities, Kresge enjoyed spending her free time scrap booking, taking photos and going ta the movies.

When Kresge was in high schaol she ventured to Lee an Lee Day and tried out for the tennis team. Kresge knew that in order for her to go to college she would need a tennis scholarship; and growing up in the Church of God, she knew she wanted to ga to Lee. Once Kresge learned that she made the team, she prepared herself for an exciting college experience. Kresge said af her experience an the tennis team, "Tennis has been a part of my life all my life. Playing tennis in college was never a question. Lee has been everything I hoped far with tennis. I made my best friends playing tennis here."

She felt that the team "has lots of chemistry on the court which has helped us to gain wins that maybe we would not have been able to achieve." Of her coach Kresge said, "He is very attentive to us as peaple and players. He even natices the small things such as I pull my skirt down every time I am preparing ta serve. We have a gaad relationship we joke with each other. I call him 'Toneless' and he calls me 'Aimless.'"

men's tennis

Making Up To The Competition



Although the Lee University Men's Tennis team wa small in number, having only seven players did not hol these athletes back in any way. Earning a spot amon the top 10 nationally ranked teams, the Flames prove their athletic talent would end in excellence. According t Juan Saa, a junior member of the team, they succeede in reaching the quarter-finals in the spring 2007 seaso this was the highest level in the national tournament tha the Lee Men's Tennis program had ever achieved. Onl one senior graduated at the conclusion of the seaso leaving seven dedicated sportsmen to carry on the tradition of success.

One integral component of the team' accomplishments was the spirit of unity. Each tea member attributed their success to the powerf bonds shared among their fellow players. Senior an co-captain, Christian Thobo-Carlsen said, "Through bein so connected, we really grow as athletes; each tea member needs support from the other guys to improve Saa stated his changed perspective upon becoming member of the team as he said, "All my life I've playe just for me. It's really changed the way I think and pla Before, it was only about me. Now, whatever I do affec the whole team. Everything matters in a different way; changes a player's mindset."

Not only were they closely connected, b the Flames also learned from each other, as Sidne Victoratto, a senior and co-captain, reflected: "On o team, we have some really different personalities ar outlooks. We're all from diverse cultures, so we lea from each other."

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Stats and Honors

Four Wins

Three Losses

Caio Borges, Dimitar Pamukchiyan, Juan Saa, Christian Thobo-Carlsen and Sydney Victoratto Jr. were named All-Academic Conference team



Dimitar Pamukchiyan stretches to hit the ball and send it flying at his opponent.

PROFILE: CAIO BORGES



Caio Borges, a junior communications major from Sao Paolo, Brazil, was a third-year member of the Lee University Men's Tennis program. He graduated high school at 17 and ventured to Lee at age 21.

Prior to deciding to search for a college, Borges played in numerous tennis tournaments. Soon after his search began, Borges heard that Lee's Men's Tennis Head Coach Cavett was looking for another player. He visited the campus, enrolled as a student and became a new addition to the team. In regards to his teammates, Borges stated, "We get along very well. We're all great friends. It doesn't matter if we win or lose; we're still going to have fun."

Borges and his teammates Sidney Victoratto, Juan Saa and Christian Thobo-Carlsen, all lived together in an off-campus apartment where humor was never absent. Borges mentioned, "It's impossible to have a serious talk with us four guys." Contributing to the laughter within his household was the fact that Borges was a bit forgetful: "I forget everything. I've lost my wallet at least five times, my cell phone about ten times, and I lost the key to the apartment. I always make fun of myself for that." He added that somehow, he managed to find everything, except for his house key.

Borges acknowledged his assistant coach, Al Schuelke, and his contribution to his life as he said, "We can always count on our assistant coach. He's picks us up or takes us to the airport, and he's always willing to help in emergencies or anything else we need. He's a cool guy."

Attending college in the U.S. was a tremendous experience for Borges as he stated, "I miss the beach and surfing on a regular basis, but I enjoy learning to live in another culture without my family as well as meeting new people." In addition, he was able to journey to New York City four times since his arrival in the states, and he worked as a staff member and director of the tennis program at a summer camp in Pennsylvania.

Golf



Sam Bedwell follows through on a successful sw

Teeing Off

"Being on the golf team has been a great experience, with a lot of wonderful memories, and I am looking forward to one more great year," said Junior Josh Lawson about being a part of Lee's Golf team.

The golf team attended five to seven tournaments during the fall and spring semesters. Spring semester was their busiest semester, with the conference tournament and nationals. Coach Jack Souther sent five players from the team to compete in the conference and nationals, and the top four out of five scores were taken and combined for a team total.

Team practices were held five days a week, where the members meet as a team and participate in drills set up by Coach Souther. Freshman Brad Gardner said, "We do drills on the putting green from certain distances, to practice and really simulate putts that we would have on the real greens maybe in a tournament or a qualifier." This was not only a time for them to improve their golf game individually, but, as Sophomore Blake Joiner said, "We help each other with things, and we get along really well." The team also knew that they had to work to improve their game outside of practices as well. Joiner said, "You have to take it upon yourself to work on what you need to work on as an individual outside of practice."

Joiner said that the members sometimes meet outside of practice and off season for a leisurely round of golf. Lawson said said, "I have a great relationship with the rest of the team and Coach Souther." Joiner described the members as "having great camaraderie" and they often "joke around" with one another.

Souther announced his decisio to retire, and team members shared the support of his decision. Lawson said, has been a sobering year with the news Coach Souther's retirement, but the team in complete support of him and his decisio Golf has been an integral part of my li so I am very thankful for the golf progra at Lee and my coach; I appreciate t opportunity to be a contributing membe

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1st Place:
- Covenant College Tournament
- University of Cumberlands Fallss Invitational
- Tennessee Wesleyan Tournament

4th Place:
- Grendlefe Tournament
- Crooked Creek/University of Cumberlands Tournament

Jashua Lawsan and fellow golfer watch intensely after a putt.

PROFILE: BLAKE JOINER



Sophomore Blake Joiner started playing golf at an early age. "My dad played, and I got my first set of clubs as a Christmas present when I was six," he said. He played golf as he grew up but didn't get into it seriously until age 12. "My family moved to a golfing community, I could walk to the driving range. That's when I fell in love with the game of golf."

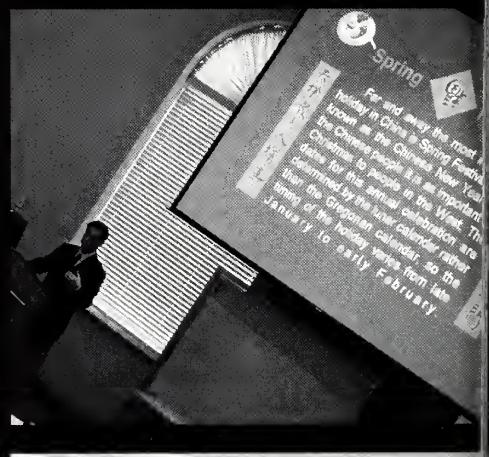
Joiner, a Communications major, "loves being around people." His love for fellowship with others played a part in his love for golf because of the interaction with other golfers. He said, "I learned by playing with better golfers, and I also learned how to build relationships with the guys I played with." Golf, what Joiner called a "gentleman's sport," taught him other important life lessons: "It taught me respect for others, for the golf course and how to have a good work ethic–with golf you have to be committed, always striving to get better than you were before." Joiner also said, "There were some days where I just wanted to throw my clubs in the lake. But golf teaches you how to control your highs and lows. Golf is a very humbling game."

Joiner made plans for the future, which he hoped involved golf. "I want to go the grad school. I want to go into business one day, whether I become an entrepreneur or private contractor or go to law school. I hope to take the skills I learn here at Lee and what I learned from golf into my career too because it is such a big part of my life."

Joiner hopes he can use golf in his business career, calling it a great asset when representing a company. "Meetings can be held on the golf course, where I can be both knowledgeable about golf and the business I'm in."

Whatever Joiner's career, he said, "No matter where I go in life, I'll always be able to play and enjoy golf. That's the great thing about it. I can play for the rest of my life."




Spring



staying ahead of the class

Lee University has an actively diverse campus with an equally diverse opportunity for academic experience. With 48 degrees available (and the number growing each new year) and hundreds of career options to choose from, Lee University helps grow and train college students for the post-graduation world.

For some students, the academics at Lee University is their entire college experience. For others, academics seem to take a less direct effect on their daily lives. Either way, a college teacher is able to make or break a college experience. The scholarly theologian can truly take the Word and expand it within the students' minds in a way that helps them see God in a new, different way. The English professor can take an idea and help a student turn it into a masterpiece of word and imagery. The music instructor can help a student reach new and unimaginable heights in their musical repertoire.

With academics comes the opportunity for a beautiful future. These classes and grades – whether they be religious core or radically different foreign languages – can help shape students' lives in ways that may not be seen until looking back from a loftier vantage point. Through these academics, students study and think and pray on their future - and what God has in store for them, shaping them on both their inside and outside.

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Lee University's Board of Directors



Board of Directors

Though Lee University's Board of Directors is a group that students seldom saw on campus or heard about during the year, the input of these 16 men and women on campus profoundly affected life at Lee. The group met three times each year to handle their duties, which included a wide range of topics. They were responsible for setting university policies, naming buildings and electing presidents, which because of their foresight over 20 ago in electing Paul Conn, was a task that this group hasn't concerned itself with in quite some time.

The members of the Board of Directors came from a variety of backgrounds and professions. Some were pastors. A few were lawyers. Others were businessmen and businesswomen. But the one thing that they all shared in common was the desire to see Lee University flourish and grow into all that it had the potential to be. Under their direction, the university has grown from its humble beginnings as a Bible College some 90 years ago to the 4000 student, liberal arts university that it is today. With the input and direction of these individuals continuing to light the way, Lee University was sure to be a place for students and faculty alike to find a home in the future. *Copy by Ben Jones.*

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Dr. Paul Conn
President of Lee University

A day in the life of Paul Conn started early with a workout in the Recreation Center before headed off to teach psychology on Tuesdays and Thursdays. After his class was over, he ended chapel. Most days included a luncheon meeting, the cafeteria or Chick-Fil-A. His ernoons included meetings about different Lee related topics from clubs and organizations dealing with the never ending parking issues.

The evenings of Dr. Conn were occupied with campus activities or presidential concerts. was harder to attend evening campus activities when we had children at home; but now that y are all grown, my wife and I attend more events at Lee," said Dr. Conn.

With Lee on the map of Christian Colleges and Universities, Dr. Conn felt that the university s, "a wonderful place for students to come and have numerous resources that enhance the rning and college life experience." Dr. Conn also said, "Everyday some aspect of student is being explored and discovered."

It was clear that Dr. Conn invested in the lives of the students, faculty and staff and kept going by setting an excellent leadership example. To sum up Dr. Conn's thoughts in one tence, "Lee is a rich environment that goes far beyond the classroom." *Copy ond photo by Dwoyne uthers. Loyout by Ben Jones.*



Cole Strong



Stephanie Taylor

Not pictured:
Andrea Campbell

Vice President of Academic Affairs



Dr. Carolyn Dirksen
Vice President of Academic Affairs

Most people know Dr. Carolyn Dirksen from attending graduation ceremonies, as called out each graduates' name alon with what honors they had received. But this busy woman did far more than this throughout the course of the year. Dr. Dirksen' actions from day to day included many meetings where she either was informed of university happenings or informed others abou those many happenings.

Being the Vice President for Academic Affairs entitled her to have numerous responsibilities and a full plate most days. D Dirksen said, "I spend a lot of my time responding to students emails and listening to their stories." She helped graduating student double and triple check to make sure they have everything in order for graduation. Because of her many travels with her husban Dr. Murl Dirksen, Dr. Dirksen felt that she was able to relate to the international students on a new level. She said, "I know what feels like to be a foreigner lost in customs and not understanding the language." She felt that having a passion for other cultures an travel has a life changing impact on a person.

The new projects that the office of Academic Affairs worked on this past year include receiving a grant to create a Cente for Teaching and Learning. This center would provide professors at Lee the opportunities to share teaching practices and tactics fo helping students learn. This environment also provided encouragement for faculty to motivate students in their critical thinking skill Lee also has been heavily concentrated on critical thinking in the classroom, and Dr. Dirksen felt that the new Center for Teachin and Learning would only support that mission further. *Copy ond photo by Kimberly Keosler. Loyout by Ben Jones.*

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B.A., Lee College
M.A., M. Div., Ashland Theological Seminary
Th.M., Ph.D., Princeton Theological Seminary



Matthew Melton

College of Arts and Sciences
Ph.D., M.A., Regent University
C.M.A., C.B.A., International Institute



Stephen Plate

School of Music
B.M.E., Evangel College
M.M., D.M.A., University of Cincinnati



Deborah Murray

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B.S., Lee College
M.S., Ed., University of Tennessee at Knoxville

Vice Presidents of Lee University



Chris Conine
Vice President of Business and Finance

A day in the Business and Finance sector is never typical. This busy place supervised several units of campus: the Business Office, the Book Store, Human Resources, Office of Physical Plant and Facilities Management, and Food Service Operations. With this wide array of coverage came new responsibilities each day. "A day is never truly full," said Chris Conine.

Arranging affordable tuition, making sure food is served fresh and hot, keeping the bookstore competitively priced and overseeing the grounds were all in a day's work for Conine. He attributed his success to surrounding himself with smart employees who strived for excellence in all they do. "How do I do my job? Trust your employee base, who do a wonderful job," said Conine.

"World class facility in order to receive world class education," was the motto Conine strived for as he oversaw the many sectors of campus. *Copy and photo by Laurel Humes.*



Dr. [illegible]
Vice President of Administration



Dr. Walt Mauldin
Vice President of Student Life

From being the President of Student life to speaking in Conn Center chapels, there was much to what Dr. Walt Mauldin did on the Lee University campus. "The day usually begins with a lot of meetings," said Dr. Mauldin. These mornings involved cabinet meetings that were attended by other employees, such as the President and the other Vice Presidents on campus. "The favorite part of my student involvement is being a part of the cabinet. I am able to get the big picture of Lee and see what others are doing in their different sectors on campus. Not only do I get to see that but I get to put my ideas in as well," remarked Dr. Mauldin. He then attended a host of other meetings that dealt with student life issues and took the time to respond to a flood of emails.

One thing that may be surprising to some students is that he liked to lift weights. "I lift weights on campus sometimes in the Recreation Center when it's open or when it's closed and that may shock students to know," said Dr. Mauldin. With all that Dr. Mauldin did on campus and has done over the years, he would count his biggest blessing as being able to shape the lives of students. "Being able to influence students' lives in an intentional and direct way and seeing students' lives changed. Seeing that change in someone who came in as a freshman and then as a graduate, that's great," reflected Dr. Mauldin. *Copy and photo by Priscilla McCowan.*

Among the many roles Gary Ray played as Vice President for Admistration, it included being a student advocate and supporting the daily operations in Lee's learning environment that may be recounted in numerous ways. "It [role as Vice President for Administartion] may be most defined as a relational proposition which is outreaching and supportive in nature. It takes on the element of concern for what happens at Lee," asserted Ray. For Ray, a typical 'good-day' at work was spent helping students overcome whatever difficulities they had in order to continue their pursuit for excellence.

His tenure started in 1990, when he served as Director of Admissions until 2000, then he became Vice President for Administration. Ray had the opportunity to see Lee in different lights as he was involved in institutional advancement, development and advertising. "I like my job, as it certainly comes with its share of understanding that you are only as good as the people around you. I see my legacy at Lee as leading leaders that can take lead to a higher place. It is not about me but the instutution." *Stary and phata by Dwayne Carruthers. Layaut by Ben Janes.*

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Nate Tucker, Senior Project Manager, IS&T
Nanette Turner, Secretary ta Director of Humon Resaurces
Jason VanHook, Director of Institutional Research and Records



Debby White, Director af Center for Colling & Coreer



Academic Services



Bookstore



Business



Admissions



Sodexho Food Court



Information Services and Technology



Calling and Career

Academic Services: (L to R) Suzy Deaton, Cortney McDonald.

Business: (L to R) Crystal Dake, Debra Williams, Phyllis Daffe, Emma Stanley, Kate Price, Kay Prugh, Kristy Harner, Melonie Lynch, Duane Pace.

Sodexho Food Court:

Bookstore: (L to R) Skip Gienapp, Marlee Bidon, Debbie Reed, Heather Scherr, Glynis Bacon, Brenda Melton.

Admissions: (R to L, Front) Katie Dietz, Renee Williams, Aileen Keefer, Kevin Rhodes, Allyson Warren. (R to L, Back) Cindy Spires, Teri Moody, Matt Warren, Phil Cook, Casey De Jennifer Griffin, Andrea Patrick.

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Calling and Career



Squires Library



Financial Aid



Physical Plant



Counseling



Registrar and Records



Campus Safety



Residential Life

Squires Library: (L to R) Louis Morgan, Lori Mattace, Barbara McCullough, Jean Cochran, Jan Kennard, Wayne Standifer, Norma Fuster, Diette Ward, Don Porter, Frank Shroyer, Lydia Murch, Susan Fletcher.

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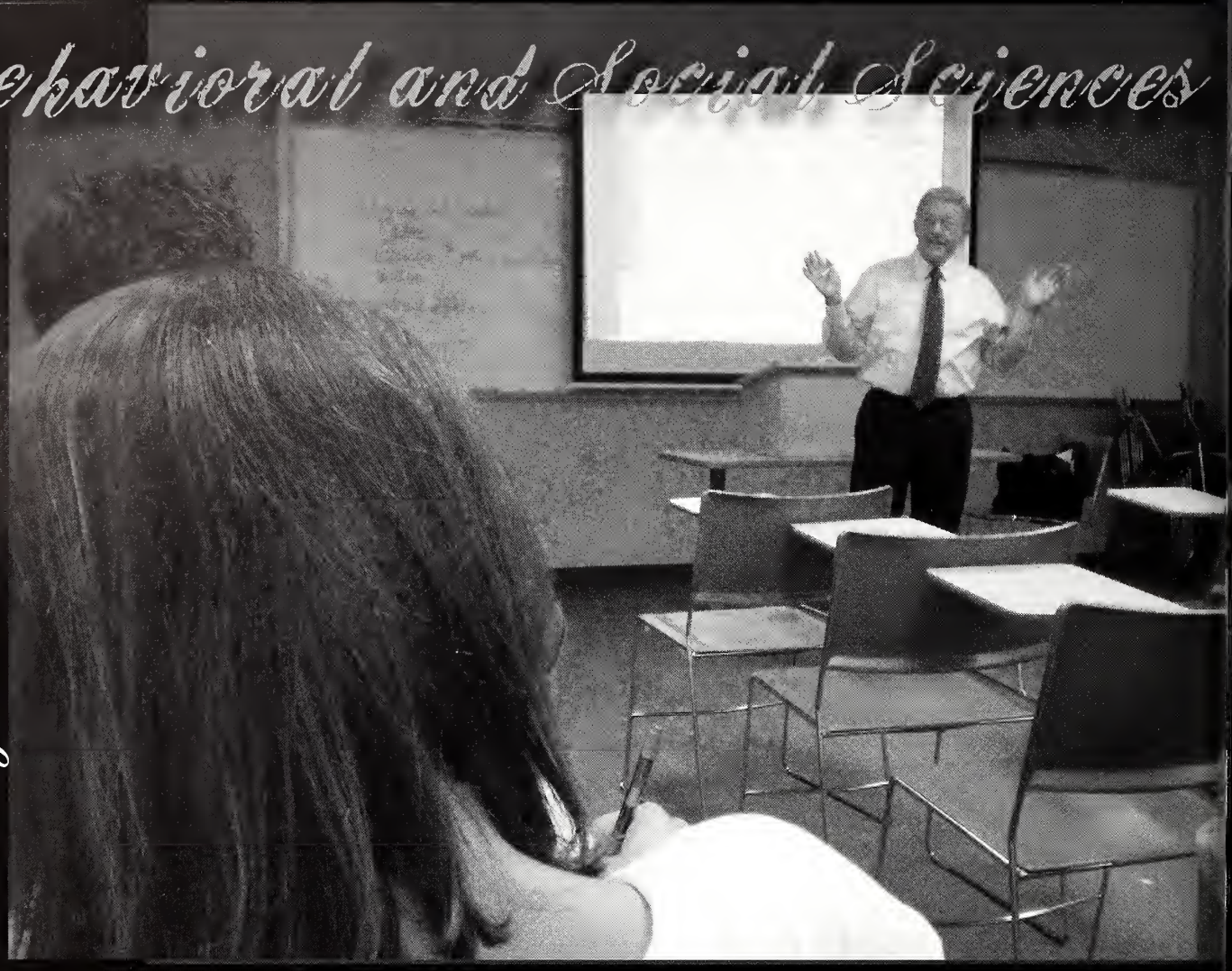
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Counseling: (L to R) Sheila Russell, Lance Fallagan, Christen Logue, Taz Randles, Lena Barber.

Campus Safety

Behavioral and Social Sciences



"A Freudian slip is when you say one thing but mean your mot her."

The Behavioral and Social Sciences Department offered a variety of majors and minors that allowed students to excel in the business of people. Minors in Child and Family Studies, Counseling and Social Work let the student dive into a specific area of Psychology or Sociology. This is a field that prepared students for a wide range of careers where they could work with people.

Many graduates from the department have entered the missions field, served as law enforcement or assisted in urban planning. One graduate studied at Hebrew University in Israel, one is serving as the Bradley Country City Planner, while another is working in Washington D.C. in the Criminal Justice Department. The career opportunities available through a study of the Behavioral and Social Sciences truly encompassed many interests and fields.

The department's desire was for graduates to view their chosen careers as more than a jobs, but a calling from God. The faculty hoped that graduates and students would use gifts and strengths given by God to serve others. "The departments motto is 'doing onto others' and we seek to inspire graduates to serve others with compassion and to serve their profession with excellence," says Dr. Graham, Chair of the Behavior and Social Sciences Department and Sociology professor.

Senior psychology student Melissa Fain said, "Professors not only teach us the subject matter in the classroom setting, but their accomplishments outside the class room set high standards for my future aspirations in this field."

The department offered many clubs to help facilitate learning and preparation for life after college. These include the Psy Chi Club, Psychology Club, Sociology Club and Alpha Kappa Delta. A hidden gem of the department was th Play Therapy Center. This facility serviced the Cleveland community. It focused on the use of play as way to break dow walls. The department was very proud of the center and its work in the community.

With around 900 students enrolled in Psychology 200 or Sociology 200, this department made itself known wit Lee students. It hoped to leave a lasting impression on all students and motivate them to continue their study of peopl





OPPOSITE: Students watch as Dr. Lee explains the history of social problems. ABOVE: Notes are taken carefully by students as they try to keep up with the teacher's lecture. BOTTOM: This girl works patiently on her Psychology assignment. *Photos by Ben Jones and Alex Lisic. Copy by Laurel Humes. Layout by Ben Jones.*



"My interest in the social injustices around the world has caused me to further pursue the career of sociology. I feel that the sociology department at Lee has opened my eyes to the problems of this world and has put a deeper desire within me to do something about them. I am looking forward to see what God has in store for me and where He will place me to make a difference." Jenna Ghizas

Faculty



Robert Graham
Choir, Associote Professor of Sociology



Paul Conn
President, Professor of Psychology



Robert Fisher
Professor of Psychology



Doyle Goff
Professor of Psychology



Jonathan Gulledge
Assistont Professor of Psychology



Jerome Hammond
Assistont Vice President for University Relations, Assistont Professor of Human Development



Ollie Lee
Distinguished Professor of Sociology



Trevor Milliron
Associate Professor of Psychology



Jeff Sargent
Assistont Professor of Psychology



Gayle Gallaher
Director of Acodemic Support Progroms, Assistont Professor of Psychology



Edward Stone
Assistont Professor of Counseling Psychology

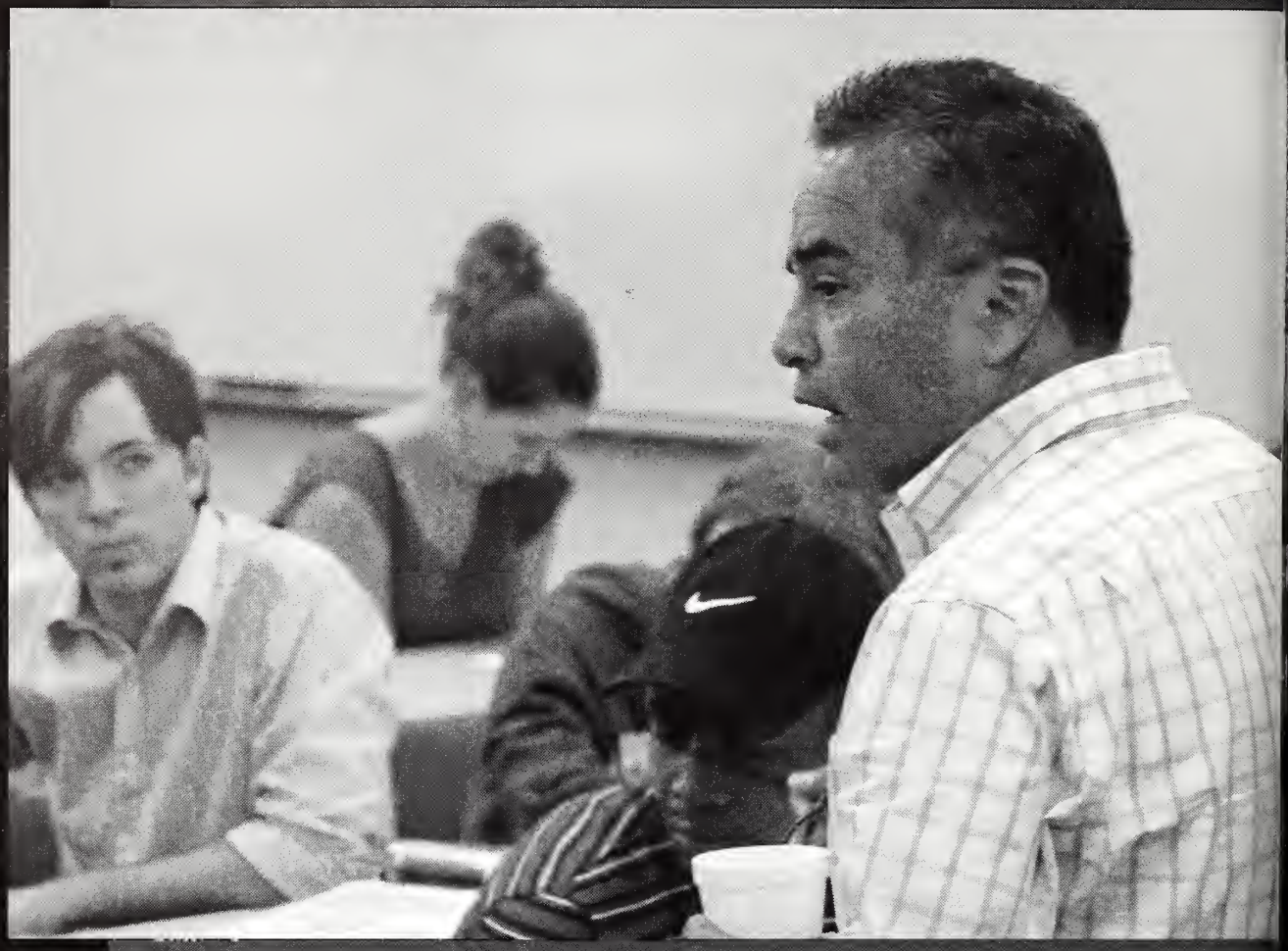


Susan Carter,
Assistant Professor of Psychology

Not Pictured:
Kimberly Eckert, *Assistant Professor of Psychology*
Karen Carroll Mundy, *Professor of Sociology*

Business

"Well, you know I was a human being before I became a businessman."
~George Ivey~



The Business Department grew leaps and bounds as they crossed new barriers every year that have not been crossed before. With the Department of Business offering a diverse range of majors such as Accounting, Business Administration and Computer Information Systems, it allowed for students to find what they loved and be taught by professors who had the same excitement for the subject matter.

Not only were business students challenged academically by books and assignments, they were challenged to engage in the all that the world of business had to offer. Professors came into the classroom with not just a prepared lecture but with real world experience that has brought them to this place in their career.

"I love the department because not only does the experience of my professors show tremendously but they are equipping me to be successful by sharing their stories and the knowledge that can only be obtained by familiarity," said Tiffany Wells, a Business minor.

For the future, the Business Department planned to team up with the Psychology Department to form Organizational Psychology. By the two departments teaming up, this would offer students the opportunity to learn even more about behaviors in the work place and how to be effective and successful at what one does.

Over the years, the department has grew in the number of students declaring majors and minors. The department's goal was not just about the here and now but truly about the future of their students academically and spiritually. They aspired to train and to equip leaders in the classroom, which would result in positive future leaders in the world.





PPOSITE: Dr. Jasso instructs students in the ways of the business world. BOVE: Students pay careful attention to lecture in hopes of learning tips at will help them in the business world. BELOW: Concepts are discussed in ass to gain insight and understanding from each other. *Photos by John ffenderfer. Copy by Priscilla McCowan. Page Layout by Ben Jones.*



"It seems that positive changes in the Business Department are being made nearly every day. Seeing these changes lets me know that my professors care about making my learning experience relevant to the always changing business world." Ryan Stigile

Faculty



Dewayne Thompson
Chair, Professor of Business Administrotion



Alan Burns
Assistant Professor of Business



William Jabor
Associate Professor of Computer Information Systems

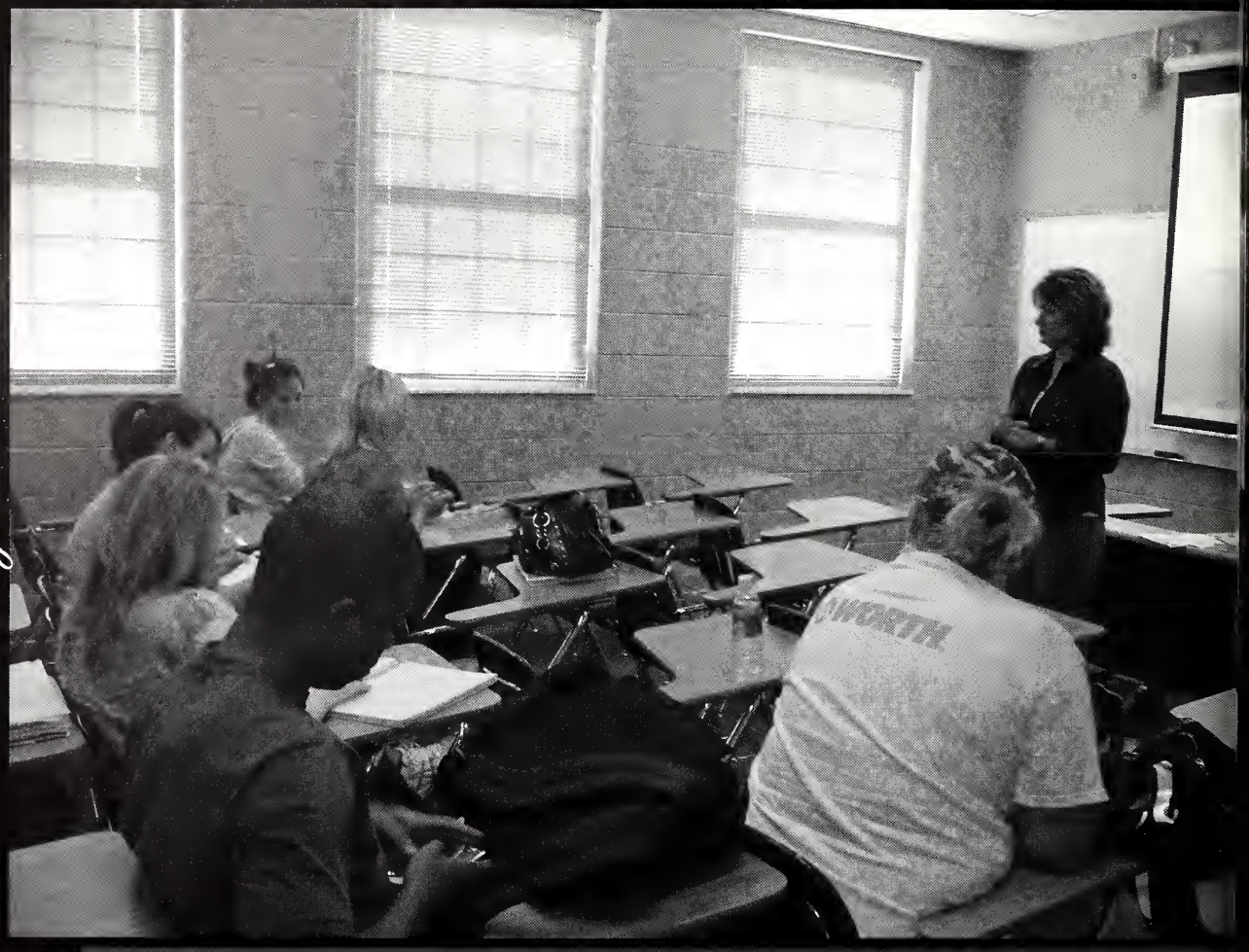


Hermilo Jasso, Jr.
Assistant Professor of Business

Not Pictured:
Gregory Della Franco, *Assistant Professor of Accounting*
Guy DeLoach, *Assistant Professor of Business*
Shane Griffith, *Instructor of Business*
Ingred Hart, *Assistant Professor of Accounting*

Communication and the Arts

"The way we communicate with others and with ourselves ultimately determines the quality of our lives."
~Anthony Robbins~



This past year the Communication Department celebrated their 10th anniversary. Looking back over these years, it's easy to see how far the department has come. The first graduating communication class of 15 students in 1999 has shown rapid growth with close to 30 students graduating every commencement.

This year marked a first, as a combination of departments sponsored more student run drama productions. "The reason for increase in more student run productions is to enhance the critical thinking skills of the Drama majors," said Dr. Michael Laney, Communications Chair. The Lee Ad Federation also went to its first national level competition in the spring.

There were submitted proposals for the enhancement to the different emphasis in the department. With the growth in public relations faculty and the growth in students choosing the emphasis, the department proposed to make public relations an individual program of study. Lee was one of 20 colleges that offer an emphasis in public relations out of 142 in the Coalition of Christian Colleges and Universities.

The Communication and Arts department as a whole felt the progress made over the last ten years has given everyone something to celebrate. Dr. Laney felt the top five greatest accomplishments for the department have been the building of the broadcast lab, an award winning Vindagua, Dr. Melton becoming Dean of the School of Arts and Sciences, the development of communication and art related cross-cultural programs and the increase in faculty. The entire staff felt that the proposals set in place for the department will generate an even larger interest in the field of communication with Lee students.





OSITE. Dr. Patricia Silverman teaches one of her upper level
nmunications classes. ABOVE: Students pay close attention to their teachers
ure. BELOW: Communicatians students gain hands on practice in the
lications Lab. *Copy by Kimberly Keasler. Photos by Laura Hicks and Scott*
kman. Layout by Ben Jones.

Faculty



Michael Laney
Professar af Telecammunicatians



Joel Kailing
Chair, Professar af Cammunicatian



Catherine Bradley
Theater Technical Directar Instructar in Drama



Mark Burnette
Assistant Professar af Drama



Mary Dukes
Instructar in Telecammunicatian



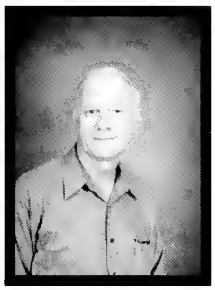
Matthew Melton
Professar af Cammunicatian



Margaret Moe-Lunger
Assistant Professar af Cammunicatian



Patricia Silverman
Assistant Professar af Public Relatians



John Simmons
Assistant Professar af Art



Rick Sparks
Assaciate Professar af Telecammunicatians



Kevin Trowbridge
Instructar in Public Relatians



Christie Williams
Assistant Instructar in Drama

Not Pictured:

Christie Kleinmann, *Assistant Professar af Cammunicatian*

Ron Gilbert, *Directar af Media Services Assistant, Assistant Professar af Cammunicatian*

English and Modern Foreign Languages



"At the English language made any sense, a catastrophe would be an apostrophe with fun."
~Doug Larson~

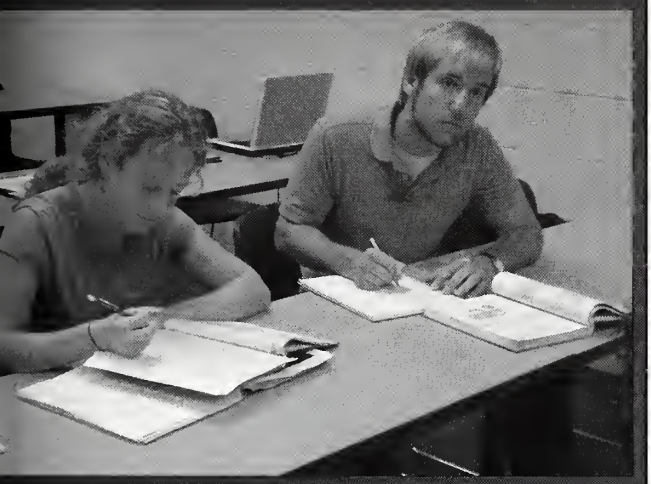
As the new academic year commenced in fall 2007, the department welcomed six new teachers to the Lee faculty. In the area of English, there were Dr. Kathy Binns, Dr. Troy Gregory, Stacy Isom and Heather Chimes, along with Carmen Guerrero and Alexander Steffanell in Spanish. Their contributions to the department helped to ameliorate current programs and added an extra flavor.

"Having done a cross-cultural experience, I am eager and ready to get involved with clubs and organization on campus having to do with Spanish or Latin American culture in general," maintained Carmen Guerrero, Lecturer in Spanish. The Language Café was also relocated from the Vest Building to the Student Life Office, which was formerly the Leonard Centre. Sophomore Tamesha Wheatley said, "I really admire the new location [Language Café], as it feels more like a 'café' with a more laid back atmosphere as oppose to the former classroom setting."

This year the department offered for its first time a writing major in English. Chair of the department, Dr. Eledge noted that on average, the English department has over 100 students as majors and was expected to increase with the new writing major being offered. After successfully being reintroduced last year, the German program grew and was offered as a minor. The department also took part in an Asian Studies Grant; and for the first time, Chinese was offered, as well as a minor in Asian Studies. Students were also able to take Chinese to fulfill their foreign language core requirement.

The Study Abroad Program continued to expand and the TESOL (Teaching English to Students of Other Languages) program continued to be successful. Dr. Eledge further noted that, "language – whether English, Spanish, French, etc. - is a tool for serving Christ because an individual can have an impact on someone just through communication." The department also examined a five year plan to offer a Master's degree in a foreign language. "Offering a Master's degree in a foreign language would be a great step for this Christian university. Hence, with the faculty in place we will have to wait to see the outcome in the next two years," Eledge concluded.





OPPOSITE: Students engage in conversation in a Spanish language cafe. ABOVE: John Montgamery III and Brittany Miller ask their instructor for further assistance with the language. BELOW: Frank Clement and Katie Johnson take notes in their French 111 Closs. *Copy by Dwayne Carruthers. Photos by John Diffenderfer and Ben Jones. Layout by Ben Jones.*

Faculty



Jean Eledge
Choir, Professor of French



Kevin Brown
Assistant Professor of English



Gloria Brownlee
Instructor in Reading



Christopher Coulter
Associate Professor of English



Phebe Gray
Assistant Professor of TESOL



Grant Henley
Associate Professor of Germon



Carolyn Dirksen
Vice President for Academic Affairs, Professor of English



Arden Jensen
Associate Professor of English



Andrew Lee
Assistant Professor of English



Jose Minay
Assistant Professor of Sponish



Sara Ortega
Assistant Professor of French and Sponish



Rachel Reneslacis
Assistant Professor of English



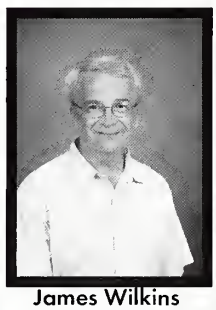
Susan Rogers
Professor of English



Donna Summerlin
Professor of English



Amy White
Assistant Professor of English



James Wilkins
Professor of French



Vanessa Hammond
Director of Grants, Instructor in English



Chad Prevost
Assistant Professor of English

History and Political Science



"Those who cannot learn from history are doomed to repeat it." ~George Santayana~

The department of History and Political Science was still a new department, having only been launched four years ago. Over the past year, the department has seen expansions with the development of the Humanities and Anthropology majors.

"The best way to evaluate the department's success is what the graduates of the department go on to do," Dr. Barnett said. He also described what current and former students have accomplished as, "nothing short of extraordinary." The examples that Lee alumni have set for current students in the history and political science department is one that Dr. Barnett says, "just goes to show you that Lee students can accomplish anything."

The department has numerous cross-cultural programs that it offered. Many of these trips were the most popular for students to take.

The hope of the department is to maintain stability but continue to grow and adapt to how students learn. The new Humanities and Anthropology majors are still in the beginning stages, but the department felt the continual evolution of the department was secure because of the programs that were set in place. Dr. Barnett felt the mission of the Department of History and Political Science was to continue to do what they had always done and to continually improve upon it.

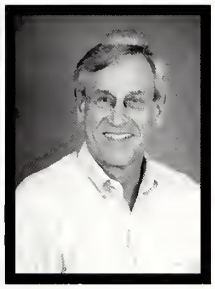


PAGE: Dr. Jeff Golden instructs students in the Humanities Building. Jordan Lee takes notes in class. *Photos by John Diffenderfer. Copy* *mberly Keasler. Page Layout by Ben Jones.*



"I went from thinking about working for the UTK Body Farm to wanting to be involved with the CIA or FBI. Having professors like Dr. Jones and Dr. Dirksen ha expanded my mind to think more outside the box with my major in Anthropology. They provide a well traveled and well rounded approach to the world and believe we Lee students to have endless potential to make a difference. I feel that because of Lee I have discovered new possibilities I never thought possible." - Allison Coggin

Faculty



Murl Dirksen
Chair, Professor of Anthropology and Sociology



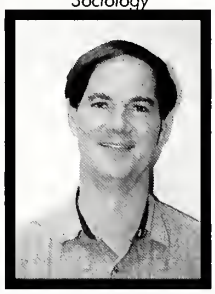
Robert Barnett
Professor of History



Paul DeHart
Assistant Professor of Political Science



Jeff Golden
Assistant Professor of Humanities



Daniel Hoffman
Associate Professor of History



Jung-In Jo
Assistant Professor of Political Science



Richard Jones
Associate Professor of Anthropology



John Sims
Professor of Humanities



Matthew Sims
Assistant Professor of Humanities



Stephen Swindle
Associate Professor of Political Science



Jason Ward
Assistant Professor of History



Alan Wheeler
Visiting Lecturer in Anthropalogy



Randy Wood
Associate Professor of Humanities

Not Pictured:
John Coats, *Associate Professor of History*

Natural Sciences and Mathematics



"The process of scientific discovery is, in effect, a continual flight from wonder." ~Albert Einstein~

The Department of Natural Sciences and Mathematics strived to equip its students with an appreciation for scientific thought and logical reasoning. The faculty are committed to fostering an environment where students were encouraged to ask questions, research and develop problem solving skills.

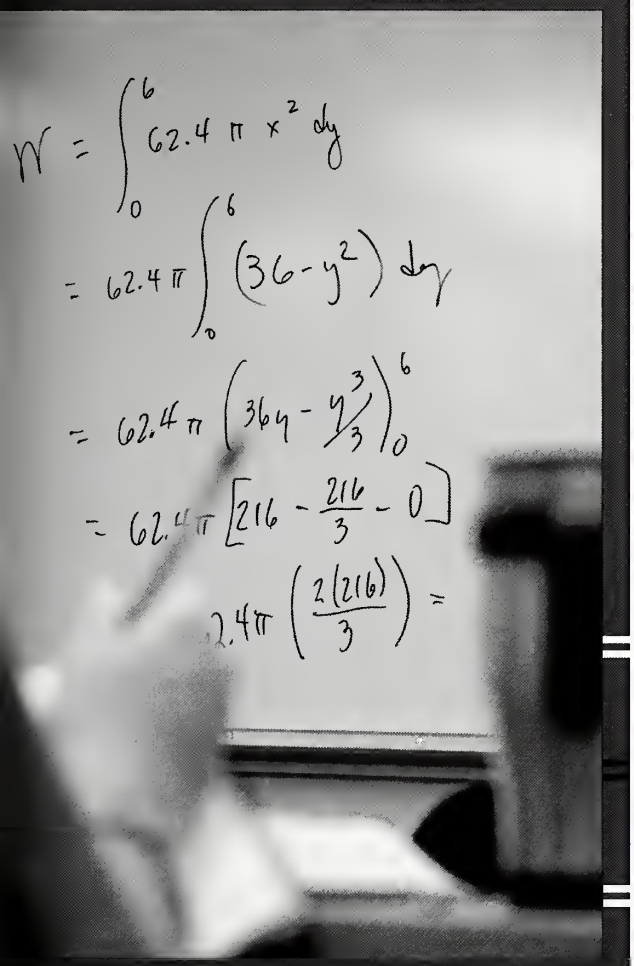
With nine majors, the department offered a variety of opportunities ranging from Biological Science Education to Mathematics. Many students entered the department with aspirations of becoming doctors, pharmacists or nurses. Since 2002, the department has placed 98 students into professional graduate schools. Currently, graduates are enrolled at many of the nation's most respected professional schools - Harvard, Johns Hopkins and the Mayo Clinic.

The motivation for these students was a desire to serve others and God. "95% of people get into the field for service," said Dr. Paul DeLaLuz. This was a unique trait not always found at public, secular universities. The motivating force was not payment but the mission field.

Dr. Steven Lay, professor of Mathematics, encouraged students to recognize their talents for, as he put it, "we honor Christ when we use the abilities He's given us." He continued to say that people gifted in mathematics can use the degree to gain access to closed nations through teaching.

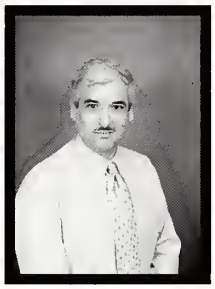
The department has grown tremendously over the years, so much that they outgrew their residence in the Beach Science Building. Faculty were spread between Walker Memorial, Beach building and annexes. Therefore, they were very excited about merging under one roof in the upcoming years. "Faculty is jazzed," said Dr. DeLaLuz about the new building scheduled to break ground this spring. The new face of Ocoee will be similar in size to the Humanities Center and the department planned to walk into the building fall of 2009.





OSITE: Dr. Robert Griffith instructs attentive students in class. TOP CENTER: ath class does their best to make it through the course's challenging erial. BELOW: A student hastily takes notes as they study the formula he board. *Copy by Laurel Humes. Photos by Sworup Ranjit. Copy by urel Humes. Layout by Ben Jones.*

Faculty



Paul DeLaLuz
Chair, Assiociate Professor of Chemistry



Jerry Adams
Assistant Professor of Mathematics



Caraline Baulis
Assistant Professor of Mathematics



Edward Brawn
Professor of Chemistry



Blayne Carrall
Associate Professor of Mathematics



Jahnny Evans
Associote Professor of Physics ond Chemistry



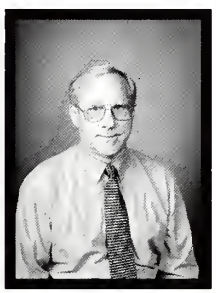
Michael Freake
Assistont Professor of Biology



Rabert Griffith
Associote Professar of Mothematics



Kimberly Haight
Visiting Lecturer in Biology



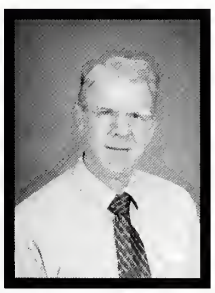
Ranald Harris
Associate Prafessar af Science Education



Jahn Hisey
Instructor in Biology



Matthew Krepps
Assistont Professor for Chemistry



Steven Lay
Prafessor of Mothematics



Ronald Merritt
Assistont Professor of Mothematics



Robert O'Bannan
Professor of Biology



Miltan Riley
Professor of Biology



Jeri Veenstra
Associote Professor of Healths Science

Nat Pictured:
Penny Mauldin, *Professor af Chemistry*
Mary Walkins, *Associote Pofessor af Mathemotics*
Lari West, *Assistont Professor of Bialogy*
Rabert West, *Professor of Biology*
Randall Fergusan, *Visiting Lecturer in Mothemotics*
Sherry Kasper, *Assistont Professor of Biology*

Health, Exercise Science, and Secondary Education

"In health there is freedom. Health is the first of all liberties." ~Amiel~



The Department of Exercise Science and Secondary Education was, as Dr. Estes said, "anything that isn't elementary or special education." The department was by definition separate from the other education departments; however, most of the time those in charge of these departments met and made decisions together. "There is no other department like this on campus," said Dr. Estes.

All of the education departments at Lee finished their first of three years of the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) monitoring. According to Dr. Estes, this three-year process would make Lee even more noteworthy for their education programs. He and the other faculty were proud to announce that every year Lee produces over 200 certified teachers with many getting hired right out of school. The education department was also proud to say that in spring of 2007, they were one student shy of making 100% passage on teacher practice testing. "In Tennessee, Lee stands as one of the strongest teacher prep schools," said Dr. Estes.

The fall of 2008 would mark an exciting first for the Department of Education when they offered for the first time an Education Specialist Degree. Dr. Estes described this type of degree as more than a Master's but not quite a Doctorate. Overall, the department is one of the longest and strongest running departments at Lee, and the students and alumni have made the faculty and administration very pleased with their successes.





he Mackenzie Building provides a place for students and athletes
and tone their muscles. ABOVE: A Medlin Hall alum exercises
e more capable of defending himself from the dorm's madness.
ere are few things more important than having a good friend
u du ng your workout. *Photos by John Diffenderfer. Copy by*
Keasler. *Layout by Ben Jones.*

Faculty



William Estes
Choir, Associate Professor of Education



David Altopp
Professor of Physical Education



Stephanie Brening
Athletic Trainer, Instructor in Athletic Training



Michael Hayes
Assistant V.P. for Student Life, Assistant Professor of Education



Charles Carrick
Professor of Secondary Education



Dewayne Knight
Associate Professor of Athletic Training



Kelly Lumpkin
Instructor in Athletic Training



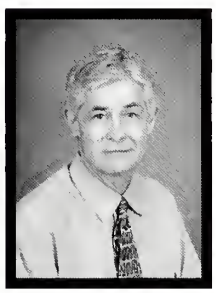
Andrea Orr Hudson
Head Coach, Volleyball; Instructor in Physical Education



Eric Moyen
Assistant Professor of Education



George Nerren
Professor of Education



Gary Riggins
Professor of Education



Orin Souther
Head Coach, Golf, Assistant Professor of Education



Ashley Smith
Associate Professor of Education, Director of Field Experiences & Teacher Ed.



Mark Wickam
Professor of Physical Education

Not Pictured:

Mark Brew, *Head Coach, Baseball; Instructor in Physical Education*

Tommy Brown, *Head Coach, Men's Basketball; Instructor in Physical Education*

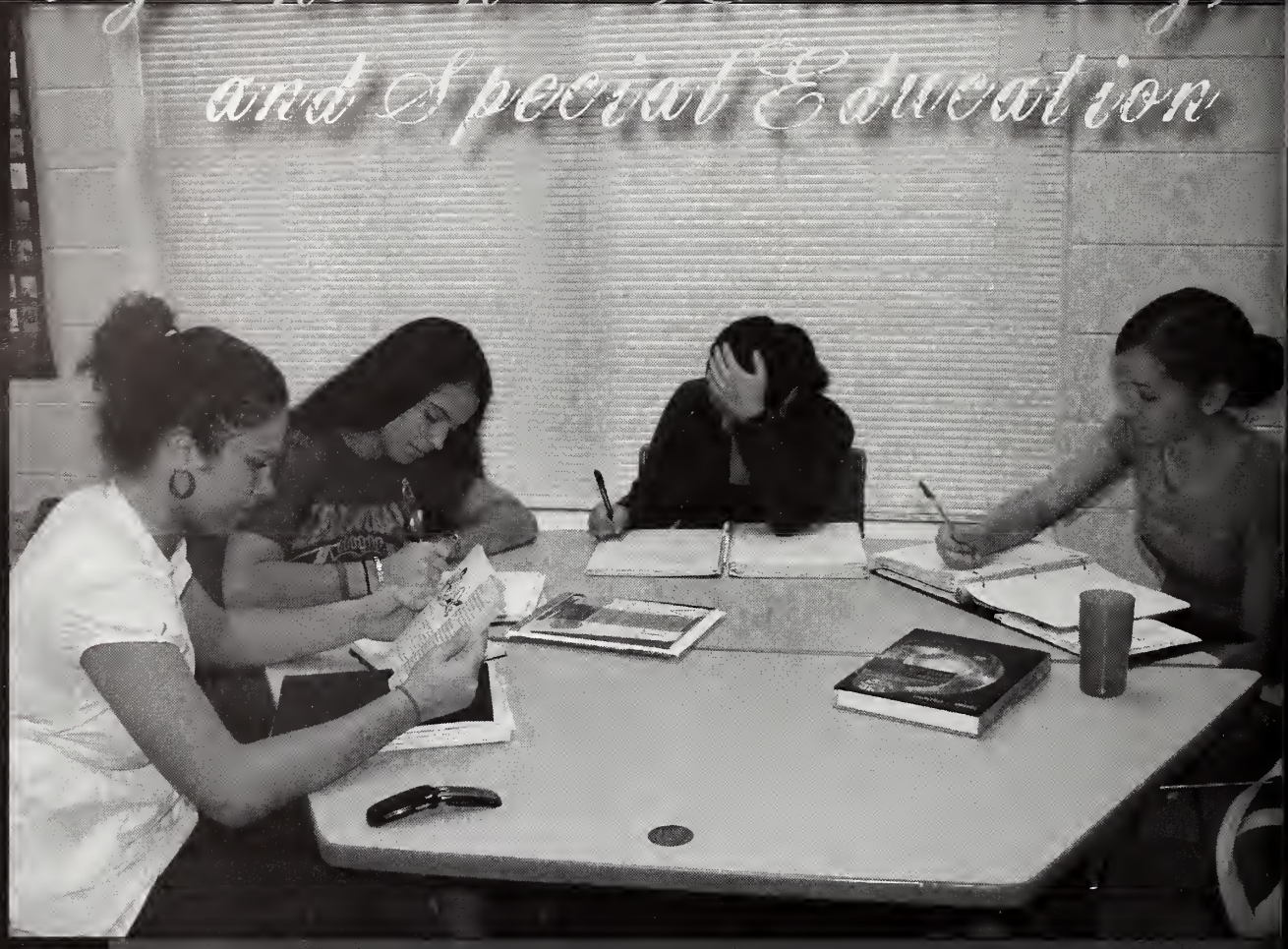
Kay McDaniel, *Assistant Professor of Physical Education*

Suzanne Hamid, *Director of First Year Programs, Assistant Professor of Education*

Mike Iosia, *Assistant Professor of Exercise Physiology*

Early Childhood, Elementray, and Special Education

"Education is not filling a bucket, but lighting a fire." ~William Butler Yeats~



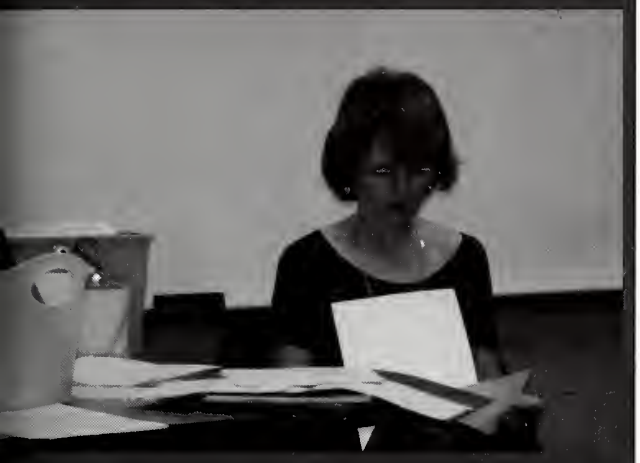
In fall 2007, the education program introduced a new major called Middle Grades Education. This major was geared at students who wished to teach grades 4-8. According to Department Chair Dr. Pamela Browning, "it [Middle Grades Education major] is expected to grow as there are many students who have interests in working with adolescents." Though less than 20 students majored in this area, it was believed that many will later consider pursuing it as a major or as an addition because of its challenges.

Interdisciplinary Studies remained the highest comparatively, in terms of number of students majoring with approximately 400 to 450 students. Dr. William Kamm, Assistant Professor in Elementary Education with primary focus in Reading Instruction, also joined the department faculty in the fall.

The department sought to implement an Education Specialist Degree in the graduate studies for next academic year. "The Education Specialist Degree is a great addition and benefit for the special education community. It is a unique field, hence the more training one receives the better one becomes prepared for handling and coping with different situations," said Dr. Tammy Johnson.

Dr. Browning believed each student had the ability to excel, but first he/she must first have a calling for this area. "Anyone can be teacher, but teaching is a ministry that demands dedication and commitment which is highly emphasized when students are being interviewed for the program," Browning further highlighted. "Teaching is different than other professions because one impacts, guides and influences young minds of the future. Many skills are required, like creativity, patience, a loving Spirit, and a passion for education and teaching," said Aimee Monk.

In attempting to develop programs already implemented, the department engaged in a thorough assessment as a part of its annual objectives. The assessment was a three years self-study procedure, which was also done in anticipation of acquiring National Accreditation in 2010 from the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.





OSITE: Education students work studiously in class to learn techniques
'll use in the classroom. ABOVE: Dr. Laura Anderson reviews the
nments turned in by her class. *Photos by Tiffany Cox. Copy by Dwayne*
rruthers. Layout by Ben Jones.

Faculty



Pamela Browning
Chair, Professor of Education



Laura Anderson
Associate Professor of Education



JoAnn Higginbotham
Professor of Education



Patricia McClung
Instructor in Special Education



Kimberly Moffett
Assistant Professor of Education



Deborah Murray
Professor of Education

Not Pictured:

Tena Stone, *Assistant Professor of Special Education*
William Kamm, *Assistant Professor of Elementary Education*

Instrumental Music



"All music is what awakes from you when you are reminded by the instruments."
~Walt Whitman~

The Curtsinger Music building was filled with sound: the beautiful melodies of wind ensemble, t chatter of friends and the rustle of sheet music. Students spent many hours in this building practicing music scales, attending Symphonic Band and honing their musical skills through private lessons and classes. Kev Combs, a Music Performance Major, said, "The Curtsinger Music Building has served as a second home f me and countless others over the years. Because music majors spend approximately 90% of their day in th building, the comfortable atmosphere and friendship with peers creates a unique, family-like bond betwe students and professors." These are the crescendos and diminuendos of the Instrumental Music Departmen

Dr. Douglas Warner, Assistant Professor of Music and Principal Trombonist with the Chattanoo Symphony and Opera, said, "Doing a degree in Instrumental Music is very difficult to complete. The stud has to develop discipline and strong work ethic."

Many of these dedicated students graduated from Lee and continued on to achieve their Master's Doctorates in Instrumental Music. For students that pursued a degree in Musical Performance, graduate scho was usually in their future plans. Former Lee student, Michael Ward, went to graduate school after comple a performance degree and is now teaching part time at Lee. Many graduates were thriving band direct or orchestra directors in public schools. These graduates have a degree in music education. Graduates wit degree in Church Music were also working as worship leaders.

Students had the opportunity to audition for several ensemble groups. These included Wind Ensem Symphonic Sand, Orchestra, Jazz, Guitar, Pep Band and various chamber ensembles. Also, students could involved in Sigma Alpha Iota or Phi Mu Alpha.

With faculty that strived to teach, encourage and develop a passion for music and Christ, students in department were bound for success. "Seeing how talented the music faculty are has motivated me to striv become better and not settle for being mediocre," said Katie Gamel, an Instrumental Guitar Major.





OSITE. Musicians at Lee are able to turn the black and white pages in t of them into exciting melodies. ABOVE: Students perform before the ience at Homecoming 2007. BELOW: The notes from the trumpets, in with the beat of the drums, combine to make a soulful sound that es the listeners. *Photos by John Diffenderfer. Copy by Laurel Humes. ut by Ben Jones.*

Faculty



Philip Thomas
Chair , Professor of Music



Ning An
Artist in Residence



Mark Bailey
Associate Professor of Music



Michael Brownlee
Assistant Professor of Music



Gloria Chien
Assistant Professor of Music



David Holsinger
Professor of Music



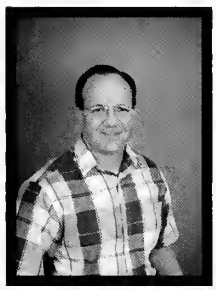
Donald LeRoy
Assistant Professor of Church Music



Austin Patty
Assistant Professor of Music



Stephen Plate
Professor of Music



Douglas Warner
Assistant Professor of Music



Alan Wyatt
Assistant Professor of Music



Xiaoqing Yu
Professor of Music

Not Pictured:
Andrew Harnsberger, *Artist in Residence*
Philip Morehead, *Assistant Professor of Music*

Vocal Music

"A bird doesn't sing because it has an answer, it sings because it has a song." ~Maya Angelou~

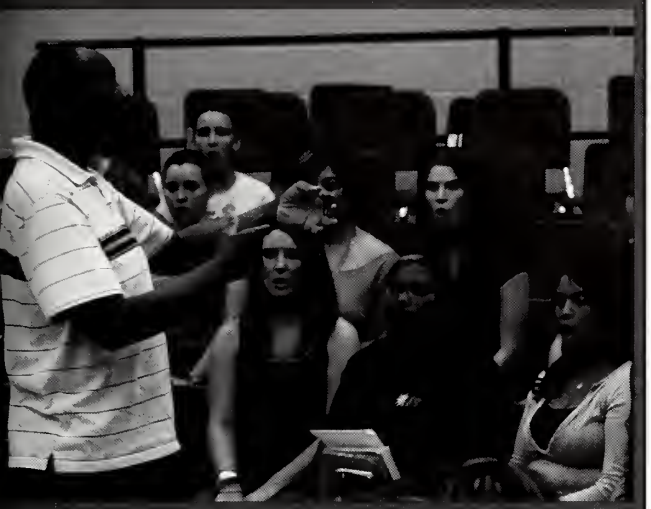


The Vocal Music Department was one that spoke not only to the Lord through music but also to the heart of all who hear on campus. The department was so diverse and eclectic that students came from all over the world to Lee to find teachers that challenged them vocally and spiritually to be all they could be in service to the Lord.

There were a wide range of options ranging from the more contemporary sound of Campus Choir and Lee singers, to the beautiful, talented and challenging pieces that were sung by Chorale. Andria Thomas, a sophomore Vocal Music major said, "Chorale is a good move for the school and is really broadening the departments reach and every year the department just gets better. Being a part of Chorale and studying voice is amazing; and with everything I have been through in my life, it is great to be able to use my voice to minister and help others."

The sound of music is magnificent, but it all started in the private lessons and the countless hours of outside practice work done by all the vocal students. Their beautiful sound came not only from their hard work but also from a passion within that caused them to strive for more than just a sound. Students had an ample amount of majors to choose from, including Vocal Performance, Applied Vocal Music, Church Music, Music Business (Vocal emphasis) and Music Education (Vocal/General).

"I chose to become a music education major because many of my teachers saw the music abilities within me and brought those out, and I would love to see that same gift in my future students and help them develop it," said Amanda Bagley, a sophomore Music Education major.





OPPOSITE: The Lee Singers perform in the Conn Center. ABOVE: Members f the Evangelical Singers rehearse their songs in a regularly scheduled ractice. BELOW: The Voices of Lee lead a service under the direction of Dr. anny Murray. *Photos by John Diffenderfer. Copy by Priscilla McCowan ayout by Ben Jones.*



"My favorite part of being a music major is that music is constant. No matter where I may travel in the world, although styles and interpretation may change music is still there. I love the fact that when I sing a song many amazing and talented women have sung it before me." Kelly Mason

Faculty



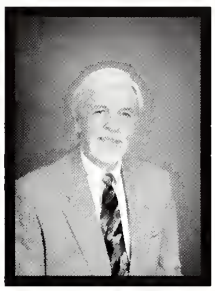
LuAnn Holden
Choir, Assistant Professor of Music Education



Martha Boutwell
Assistant Professor of Music



Ron Brendel
Assistant Professor of Voice



Jim Burns
Professor of Music



Anthony Deaton
Associate Professor of Music



Andrea Dismukes
Assistant Professor of Music



William Green
Assistant Professor of Music



Virginia Horton
Assistant Professor of Music



Walter Mauldin
Vice President for Student Life, Professor of Music



Linda Thompson
Assistant Professor of Music Education

Not Pictured:
Brad Moffett, *Assistant Professor of Music*
James Frost, *Assistant Professor of Music*

Christian Ministries

"But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word." —Acts 6:4



Christian Ministries was one of two departments in the School of Religion. This department primarily sought to provide vocational preparation for full time ministry to students. Students were introduced on an entry level and then further equipped for a successful career. Some students started in a particular ministry at this point, often times made a shift within the next ten years to become senior pastors and evangelists.

There were five majors offered, each which specialized in some form of ministry. The department had approximately 370 students enrolled, with the Pastoral Ministries major having the majority of those in the discipline. "It [Pastorial Ministries] is a vibrant academic atmosphere where the praxis and theory of Biblical and Theological studies come alive. The pastoral major specifically provided a great way of practical learning through two field practicums (church internships) alongside a great theological education that helped me get into a good seminary," said Andrew Hudson.

The Intercultural Studies major that was initiated in the past two years continued to be very inspiring as students were able to travel abroad to work and engage in missions. "Intercultural Studies is important because it prepares you to getout there and to make a difference for Christ, while giving students apractical approach to interacting with different cultures," said Megan Ramsey. The previous Christian Education major was revamped into a Discipleship major, which was offered for the first time in fall 2007.

In fall 2007, the department presented its newly revamped degree programs. All five degrees were reviewed over a two-year process. "I think it's a greatly improved program that has been rebuilt from foundation and is able to be very effective in this 21st century. Each degree prepares students for some sort of ministry which is translated into practical things," Department Chair Dr. Boone said. Churches in and outside of Cleveland frequently submitted requests to the department for youth pastors as volunteers or even as a compensated position. This year's annual objectives for the department included developing all new department literatures, highlighting faculty members and anticipation of the new School of Religion building to be erected.





POSITE: Dr. Eddly Moodley listens thoughtfully to his students presentation Chrisiton material. ABOVE: Students discuss together some of the concepts y leorned in class that day. BELOW: Ideas about Christian Ministry e explained in more detail by a teacher's assistant. Photos by John enderfer. Copy by Dwayne Carruthers. Layout by Ben Jones.



"I admire how the department engages in many missions for the church, evangelism and pastoral ministries, which further aims at defining truly what this commission to Christ is all about-preaching, saving, feeding the poor and helping persons to get over whatever struggle he/she faces." Cody Ragland

Faculty



Jerome Boone
Choir, Professor of Old Testament ond Christion Formotion



Larry Bergeron
Assistont Professor of Christion Ministries



Andrew Blackman
Assistant Professor of Christion Educotion



Rolando Cuellar
Assistont Professor of Interculturol Studies



Jerald Daffe
Professor of Postorol Ministries



Robert Debelak
Associote Professor of Biblicol Studies



Thomas Doolittle
Assistont Professor of Postorol Ministry



William Effler
Assistont Professor of Postorol Studies



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Associote Professor of Interculturol Studies

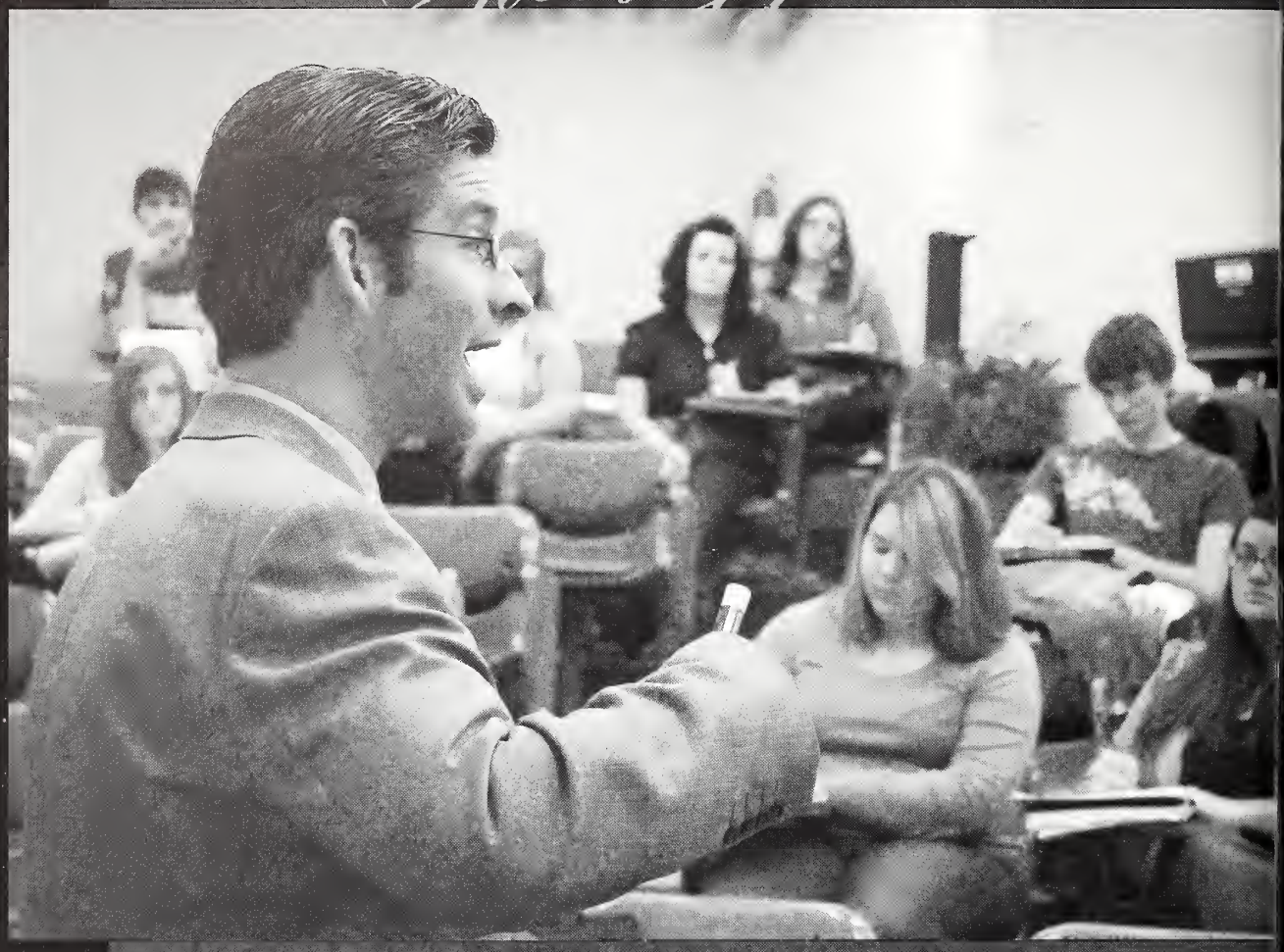


Benjamin Pérez
Assistont Professor of Christion Ministries

Not Pictured:
Bob Bayles, *Professor of Educotion*
Lisa Long, *Instructor in Christion Educotion*
Greg Sloop, *Assistont Professor of Christion Ministry*

Theology

My faith goes beyond theology and religion. It requires considerable work and effort. ~Jimmy Carter~



The School of Religion added a new Theology Department Chair, Dr. Rickie Moore. Dr. Moore joined the Lee faculty in fall 2007, after teaching at the Church of God Theological Seminary for a tenure of 25 years. He came to Lee with prior experience in teaching Old Testament along with knowledgeable proficiency that would be used to ameliorate the department. The department also welcomed Lisa Stephenson, a recent Lee graduate, who was pursuing her Ph.D from Marquette University. Stephenson was an Instructor in Theology.

The Biblical and Theological Studies was the sole major offered by the department. However, it entailed a selection between two tracks: the Pre-Graduate Studies Emphasis and the Pastorial Studies Emphasis. The Pre-Graduate Studies Emphasis provided additional training at the graduate level or seminary, while the Pastoral Studies Emphasis focused on offering skills requisite needed for pastoral ministries. "The distribution of our students in these two tracks [Pre-Graduate Studies and Pastorial Studies Emphases] has recently been running about two-thirds in the former track and one-third in the latter," said Moore.

The department facilitated all undergraduate degree programs in the General Education Core with a 18 credit hours minor. "Having a minor in religion as a core requirement is essential for shaping our holistic development. Plus, students who have undecided majors can always fall back on majoring in this area," said Christopher Donovan.

Dr. Moore further commented that, "There is a growing number of students from other majors who are electing to do a second major in Biblical and Theological Studies. This trend has grown to the point that around 20% of our current majors are double majors, pairing their theological studies with majors in such fields as History, Psychology, English and Political Science." In recent semesters, the Theology Department had to offer an additional section of elementary Greek, due to an increase in students outside its major choosing to do New Testament Greek as a foreign language.





POSITE: Dr. Skip Jenkins teaches his entry level class basic Biblical eology. ABOVE: Students are intently listining to the professor in hopes of ining greater insights on the subject they are studying. BELOW: Brittony vis quickly takes notes as her teacher explains concepts that will soon pear on an exam. *Photos by John Diffenderfer. Copy by Dwayne rruthers. Layout by Ben Jones.*

Faculty



Emerson Powery
Professor of New Testoment



Brian Alderman
Instructor in Hebrew Bible



Donald Bowdle
Distinguished Professor of History ond Religion



Terry Cross
Professor of Theology



Brad Frazier
Assistont Professor of Theology



Michael Fuller
Assistant Professor of Biblicol Studies



Jimmy Harper
Compus Postor; Assistont Professor of Youth & Fomily Ministries



Skip Jenkins
Assistant Professor of Historicol Theology



Henry Moyo
Heod Cooch Men's Soccer; Instructor in Theology



David Roebuck
Assistant Professar af Religion



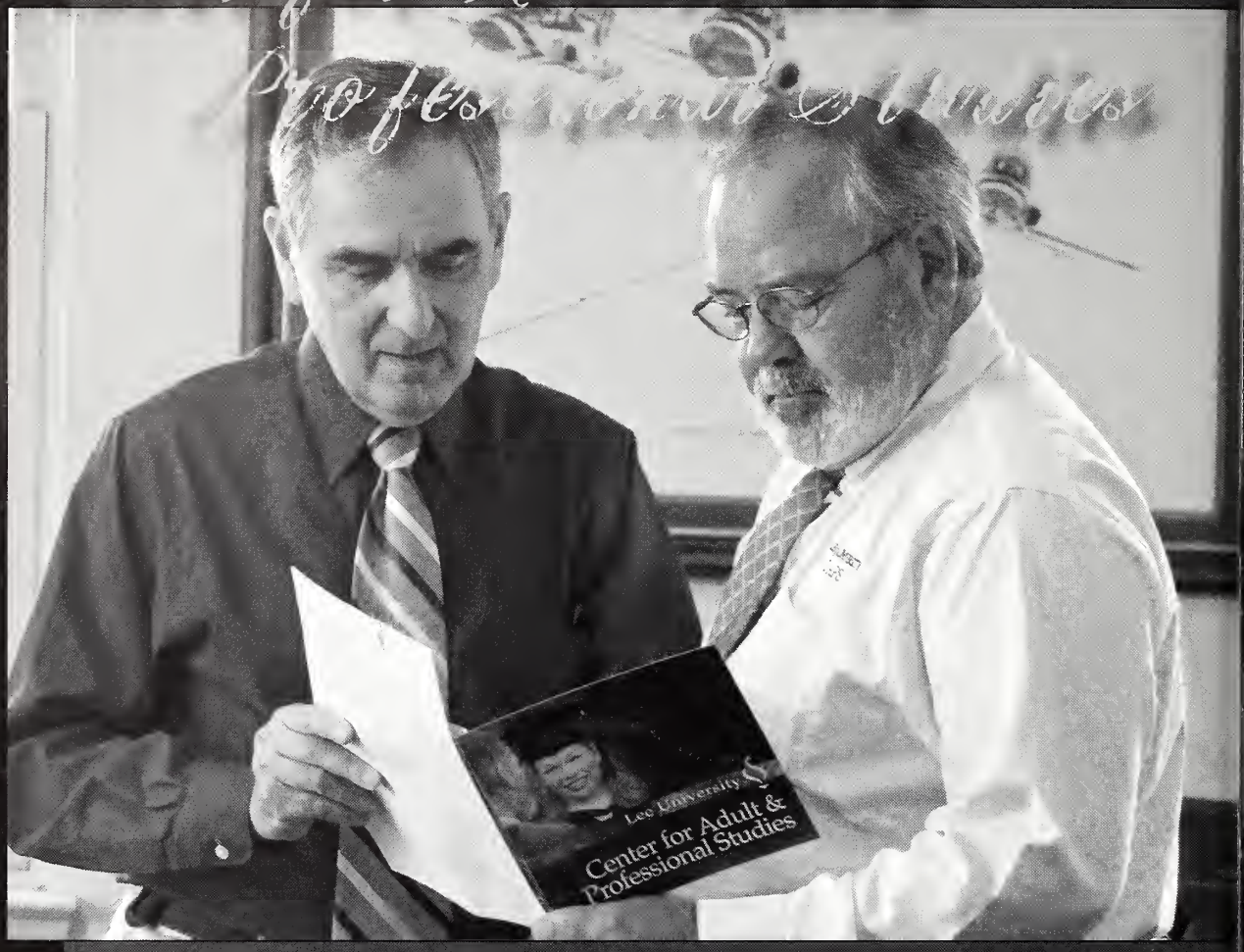
Barb Searcy
Assistont Professor of Religion



William Simmons
Professor of New Testament Studies

Not Pictured:
Lisa Stephenson, *Instructor in Theology*

Center for Adult and Professional Studies



CAPS, the Center for Adult and Profession Studies, was a program that opened the door and offered training and education to those who may not have been able to engage in the complete college experience or the traditional degree programs that were offered. The program was one that allowed adults to recieve training in a variety of areas, such as online, independent study and a classroom settings.

Dr. Perez said, "The online programs options will be expanding. This expansion includes developing a duel-enrollment online program where high school junior and seniors can take classes in advance."

CAPS enriched its students to be able to pursue their dreams and be well prepared to advance in the areas they sought. Ministry was one area that really looked to supply its the adult students with its training for life, church and society. CAPS took its programs and allowed them to fit the lifestyle of its students by truly offering opportunity. The focus was truly on non-traditional adult learning and taking the Lee experience beyond the campus. *Photos by Alex Lisic. Copy by Priscilla McCowan. Layout by Ben Jones.*

"We now accept the fact that learning is a lifelong process of keeping abreast of change."
~Peter F. Drucker~





Faculty



Benjamin Pérez
Director, Center for Adult and Professional Studies



Phillip Barber
Independent Studies



Robert Debelak
Resident Programs

Squires Library and Dixon Pentecostal Research Center



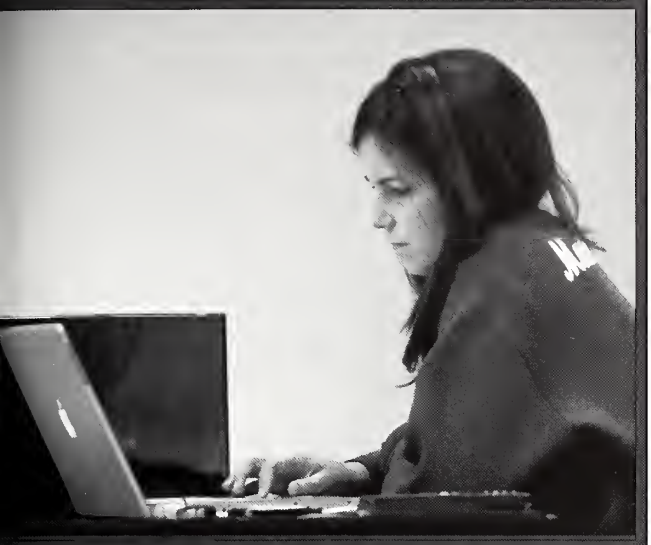
"Books serve to show a man that those original thoughts of his aren't so new after all." ~Abe Lincoln~

Squires Library and Dixon Pentecostal Research Center was a place of learning, studying and discovery that inspired students to excel academically and spiritually. The shelves were lined with reference material, daily newspapers and religious manuscripts. These volumes provided research material at your convenience and for a low cost.

As the campus continued to increase in size so did the number of students utilizing the library. According to Mr. Frank Shroyer, Coordinator of the Circulation Desk, a main benefit of the library was "knowing in the evenings you have a nice relaxing place to study." This was a place student's felt secure and comfortable. "Study rooms provide a quiet place, in a solitude area to focus in the presence of other students who act as motivators," said Lee student and library patron, Jami Crouse. Even after graduation, alumni continued to utilize the library's resources.

"Every semester is different," said Mr. Shroyer. The library was continually growing and updating to advance with the technological twenty-first century. In 2008, there was access to 400 books online through the library's website. These E-Reserves provided 24/7 admission to the library even after hours. Another update was the online ability to "Ask Squires Now" through instant message. This allowed students to contact a librarian from the comfort of their dorm and receive a quick response.

The library housed over 100 computers. Many of these new computers were located in the Link, a computer room on the bottom floor. This converted classroom was for the sole use of Lee University students. Patrons from the Cleveland community or the Theological Seminary were not granted access. Throughout the week, professors brought their classes to the Link for training on research methods, online resources and library services. *Photos by John Diffenderfer. Copy by Laurel Humes. Layout by Ben Jones.*





Faculty



Jean Cochran
Technical Processes Librarian



Janet Kennard
Public Services Librarian



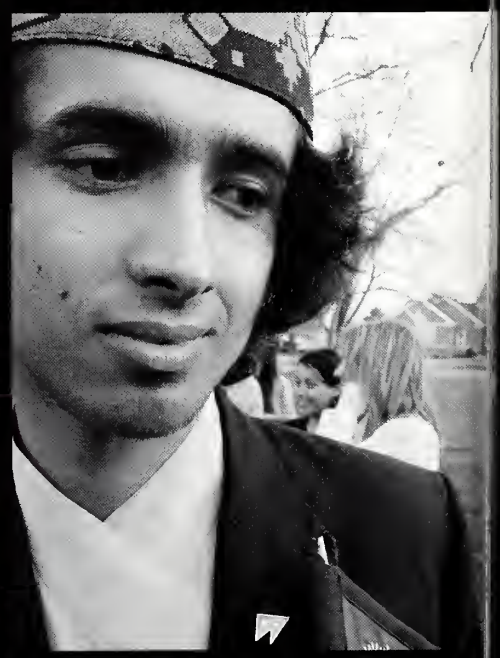
Barbara McCullough
Assistant Directar of Public Services



Louis Morgan
Librarian of Instructional Services







a myriad of differences

Lee University is tri-fold unique. Somehow the campus is able to exist in a state of duality; it is able to look and feel like a larger university while still maintaining the small-town essence. It is also a place where, for many, Christ and the future go hand-in-hand, whether that be through careers, clubs or experiences. Lastly, Lee University is a place of extreme diversity in a sometime insipid world.

Representing nearly all 50 states of the United States and over 50 different countries, Lee University is exhilaratingly different. Diversity is literally at every corner of the Lee University campus. Each building seems to tell its own story with its own unique twist. Each dorm seems to have their own vibe, while each floor somehow manages to have their own individual theme of character. Each off-campus house seems to feel different, at least in essence.

And the people. Oh, the people! Practically every color, shape and size is represented here; practically every interest, belief and passion is captured by the students and faculty to somehow melt into an environment where individuality is the true normal.

If you want to find your friends, family or that cute person who sat behind you in your Gateway Seminar class freshmen year, the People section is where to look. While you sift through the pages, take note of the true amount of diversity at Lee University. *Copy by Michoel Gillum. Layout by Elizobeth Compton.*

"I gave birth to a precious son, Jakob Cole Gruber, but was only 27 weeks pregnant when they had to fly me to Erlanger and take Jake by emergency C-Section. When he was born he spent 55 days in the neonatal intensive care unit. When people ask how I did it while in school, I honestly don't have an answer for them. God truly did carry me and my family through it all.

Aubrie Gruber

Arselaine Augustin
Cynthia Casey
Chris Caats
Kelly Carnelius
Chanelle Fagan
Michael Franks
William Jessen



Kathren Jahnsan
Laura Marie Janes
Aaran King
Victaria Lake
Bethany Martin
Beth Ann Mills
Jamie Rafass



Manuela Radriguez
Kristen Sawyer
Tanya Varnum
Kerry Wallen
Chia-Yu Wang



Graduates



FALON LE FEVRE

"I was an education major at Lee; so when I graduated in May of 2007, I had received my teaching license in grades K-6. I was so excited about teaching, and I knew that it was something that I was called to do, so I decided to stay at Lee for another year to receive my Master of Education.

I had loved the education program at Lee, and I knew that the master's program was going to be just as significant. The professors were so encouraging and influential, especially for a first year teacher. I taught first grade this past year and graduated with my M.Ed. in Classroom Teaching in May of 2008.

I am now living in Cumming, Ga., close to where I grew up. I am teaching kindergarten at an incredible school and starting a young girls' ministry through a youth and young adult ministry called The Warehouse.

It's sad to leave Lee, a place that has been home to me for five years, but the best part about so much change is that I know that The Lord is in control and He is taking me where He wants me. He is leading me and using me. Life couldn't get any better than that!" *Photo courtesy of Falon LeFevre.*

"My senior year at Lee was busy. In the fall, I took on 22 credit hours and interned as a Recreation Assistant at First Baptist Church of Cleveland. I also decided to go to Zacapa, Guatemala in December as apart of my cross cultural experience.

This was by far the most memorable experience I participated in with my time at Lee. There, I served hundreds of women and children at a local city dump, played with orphans and helped out with a construction project. People at the dump were so impoverished, I saw a child covering his feet with saran wrap. I found it so ironic that these poverty stricken people were the most happy and content of all people I have ever known. They taught me so much about life.

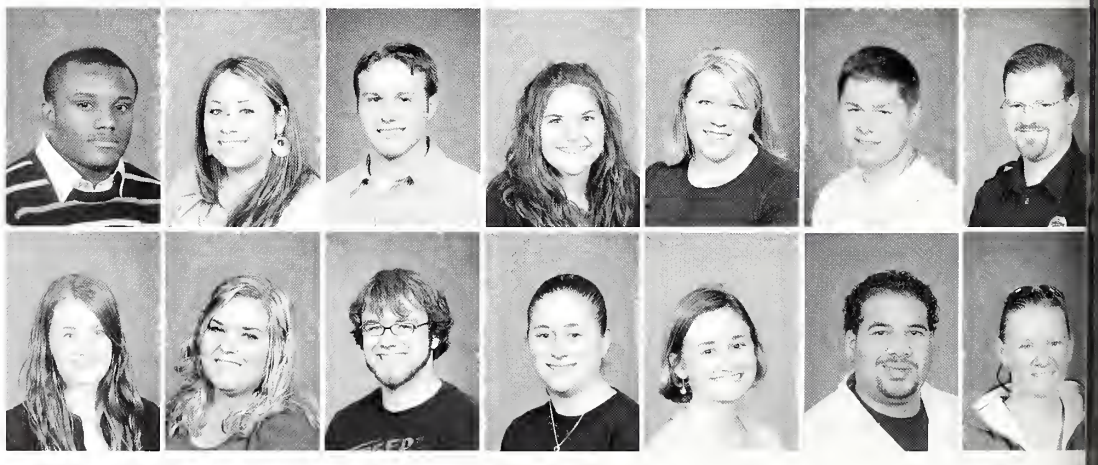
I am getting married this August to Ross Ott, a mechanical engineering student at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, Mich., where I will call my new home in August.

After graduation, I've decided to take a break from school, but I fully intend to pursue my masters in Exercise Physiology." *Photo courtesy of Carmen Williams. Copy by Elizabeth Compton.*



CARMEN WILLIAMS

Chike Abono
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Mitchell Amoto
Taroh Armbrester
Jill Arvin
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Seniors



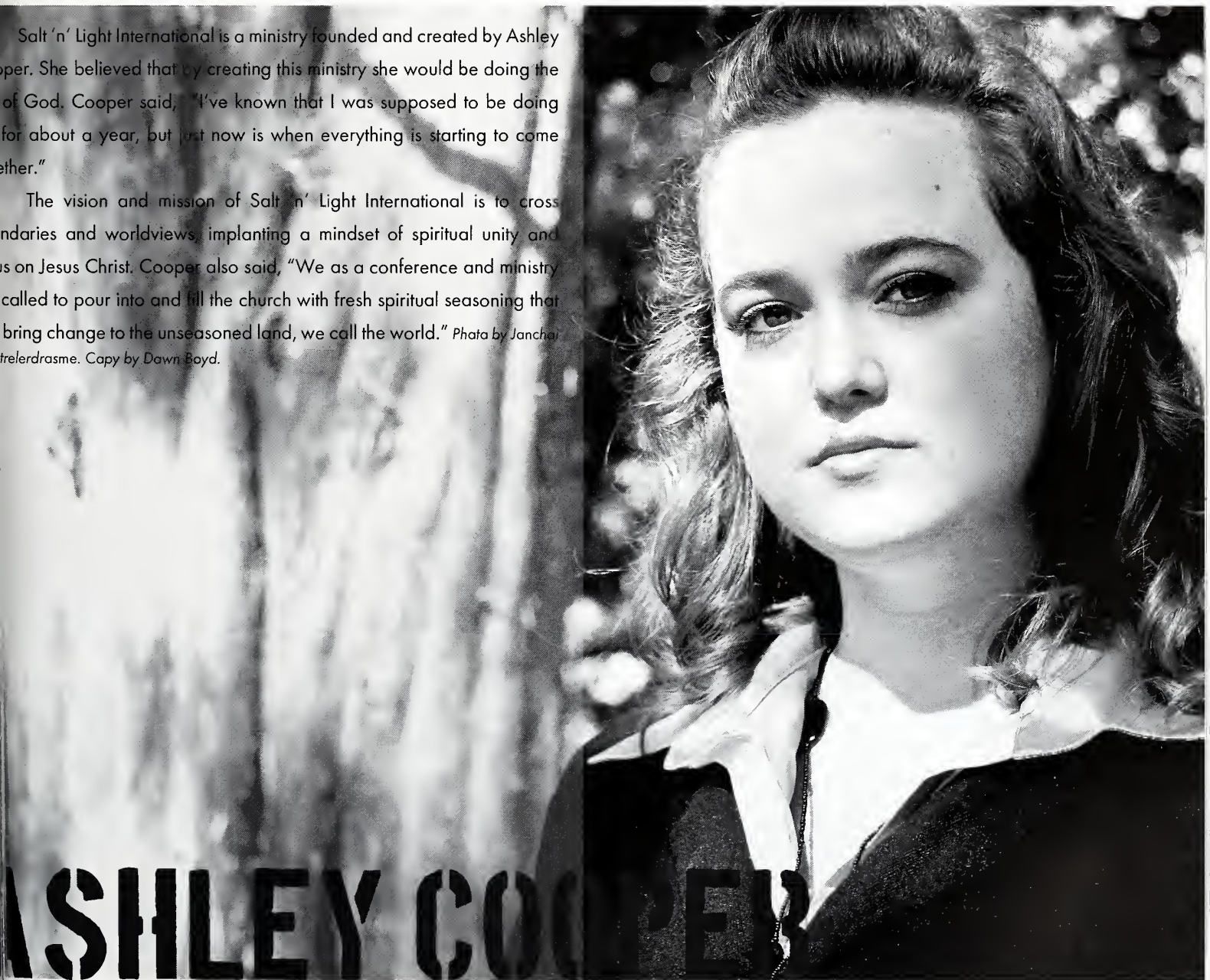
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Justin Campbell
Stephanie Chalcraft
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Valentine Chukwuma
Camille Church
Rebecca Clark

Salt 'n' Light International is a ministry founded and created by Ashley
oper. She believed that by creating this ministry she would be doing the
of God. Cooper said, "I've known that I was supposed to be doing
for about a year, but just now is when everything is starting to come
ether."

The vision and mission of Salt 'n' Light International is to cross
ndaries and worldviews, implanting a mindset of spiritual unity and
s on Jesus Christ. Cooper also said, "We as a conference and ministry
called to pour into and fill the church with fresh spiritual seasoning that
bring change to the unseasoned land, we call the world." *Phata by Janchai*
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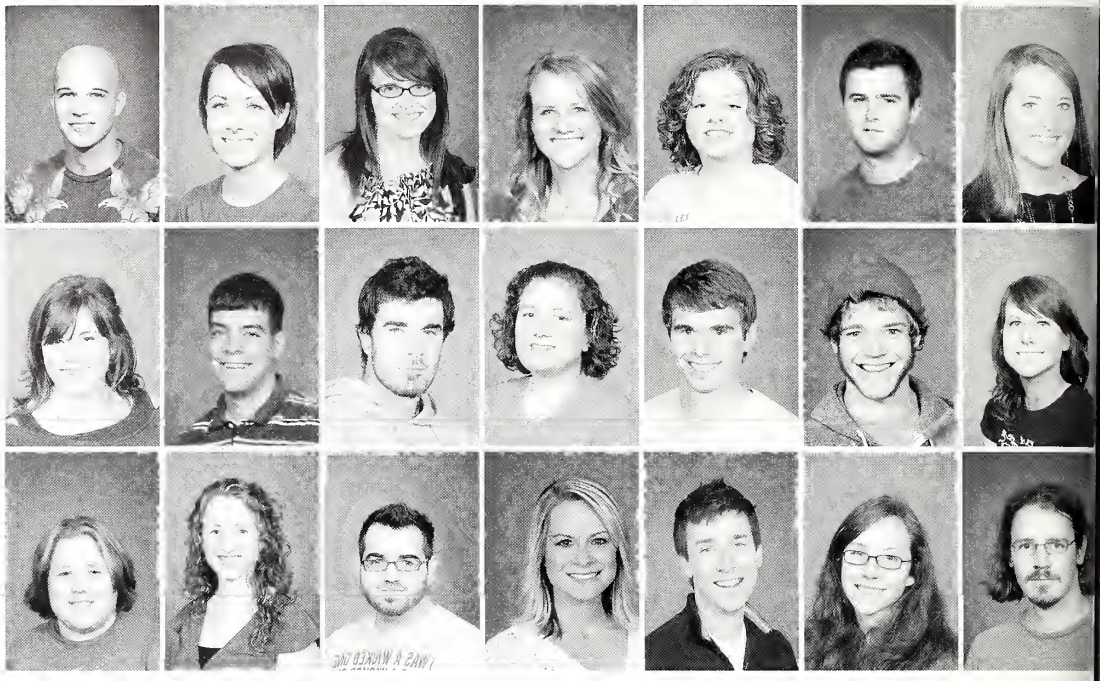


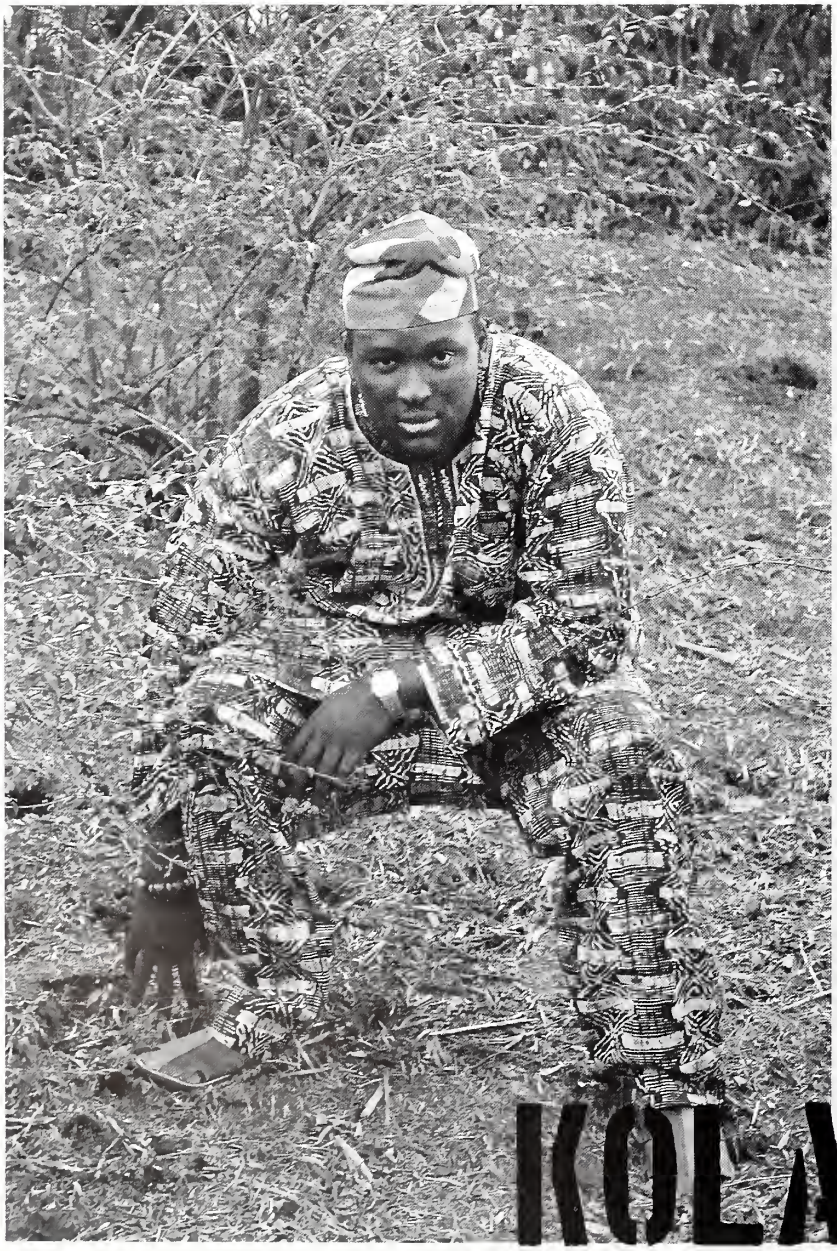
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Jahn Diffenderfer
Breanna Dillon
Joshua Dorlon





KOLA OLADAYO

Originally from Lagos, Nigeria, Kola-Olaleye Oladayo came to the United States through a program that allowed students to take the SATs. After looking at several universities, Dayo loved the expansive service program offered at Lee and decided this was the place for him.

He was a senior Health Science, Pre-Med major with a minor in Biology. Since coming to Lee, Dayo has been actively involved in many service projects, including: service days, two Hurricane Katrina relief trips and the Bradley Fire and Rescue Volunteer Program. A new endeavor for Oladayo, this program allowed students to assist the Bradley County Volunteer Fire Department by putting in hours at the station or on calls. In return, the department trained students in CPR and various rescue techniques.

According to Dayo, the most rewarding aspect of service is "seeing the gratitude in people's faces. They now have help where they didn't have it the day before." Reflecting on his time here at Lee, Dayo said, "It has given me an appreciation of helping others through community service and has opened my eyes to the helpful things I can do." *Phata by Calleen Akers. Copy by Amanda Filippane.*



TONY DIAMOND

"My plan when I came to Lee was not to find my wife, not to become popular or even to be that great academically. I was focused on self-discovery. Who I am, what I believe in and the reasons behind these questions. I wanted to be firm in my beliefs. Lee definitely contributed to my growth especially later in my college career. But now knowing who I was, I didn't know where I was going.

Lee University didn't really show me a path to carry on life after Lee. Yes, cliche as it sounds I was oblivious on what I was going to do. The five year plan takes a lot out of a person, so I didn't feel graduate studies would be safe for my sanity. After a couple months in searching the job market, I was presented with a great opportunity and pursued it.

Now, I am signed up for the United States Navy as an Intelligence Specialist. This all happened all of a sudden and will be my life for the next six years. I am moving from Lee to see the rest of the world. I am where God wants me now." *Phata caurtesy af Tany Diomond.*



Casey Durham
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Jacabed Figueraa
Grant Fisher
Christy Fretwell
Cameran Fry
Tyler Garvey
Katie Gee

Michael Gillum
Jael Gilreath
Jessica Ginty
Michele Grahom
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Nakisha Haymon
Aaron Hibbard
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Lanette Hitt
Andrew Hudson
Christin Huff
Laurel Humes



"Being at Lee became more than just going to college for an education. It became sharing and growing with the people around me by pouring into their lives and allowing them to pour back into mine."

Priscilla McCowan

Philip Hunley
Caitlin Hutcheson
Hannah Hyder
Harmoni Jacobsen
Brittni Jensen
Adesina Jahnson
Katie Jahnson



Katrina Jolley
Justin Kaprock
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Jaimie Lazar
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Charity Lusk
Regina Manes
Faith Manley
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Dustin Markanich
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Jash McCay
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Jessica McDougall
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Carrie McGee
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Toro McKinney
Jenni McNeal
Kimberlee McPherson



ATIE JOHNSON

The sunny smile that lights Katie Johnson's face made it evident that God was working through her to reach others in many ways through the year. This sophomore enjoyed simple things like lightening bugs in the summer having grown to appreciate them and the outdoors that she enjoyed in the rural area she grew up in. To relax, she dabbles in watercoloring finding the idea of a blank canvas "fr[illegible]g."

Her life has been divided by two passions music and people. She played [illegible] for several years, often as an accompaniest, although her major was Anthropology. Katie enjoyed learning about other cultures [illegible] and reaching them.

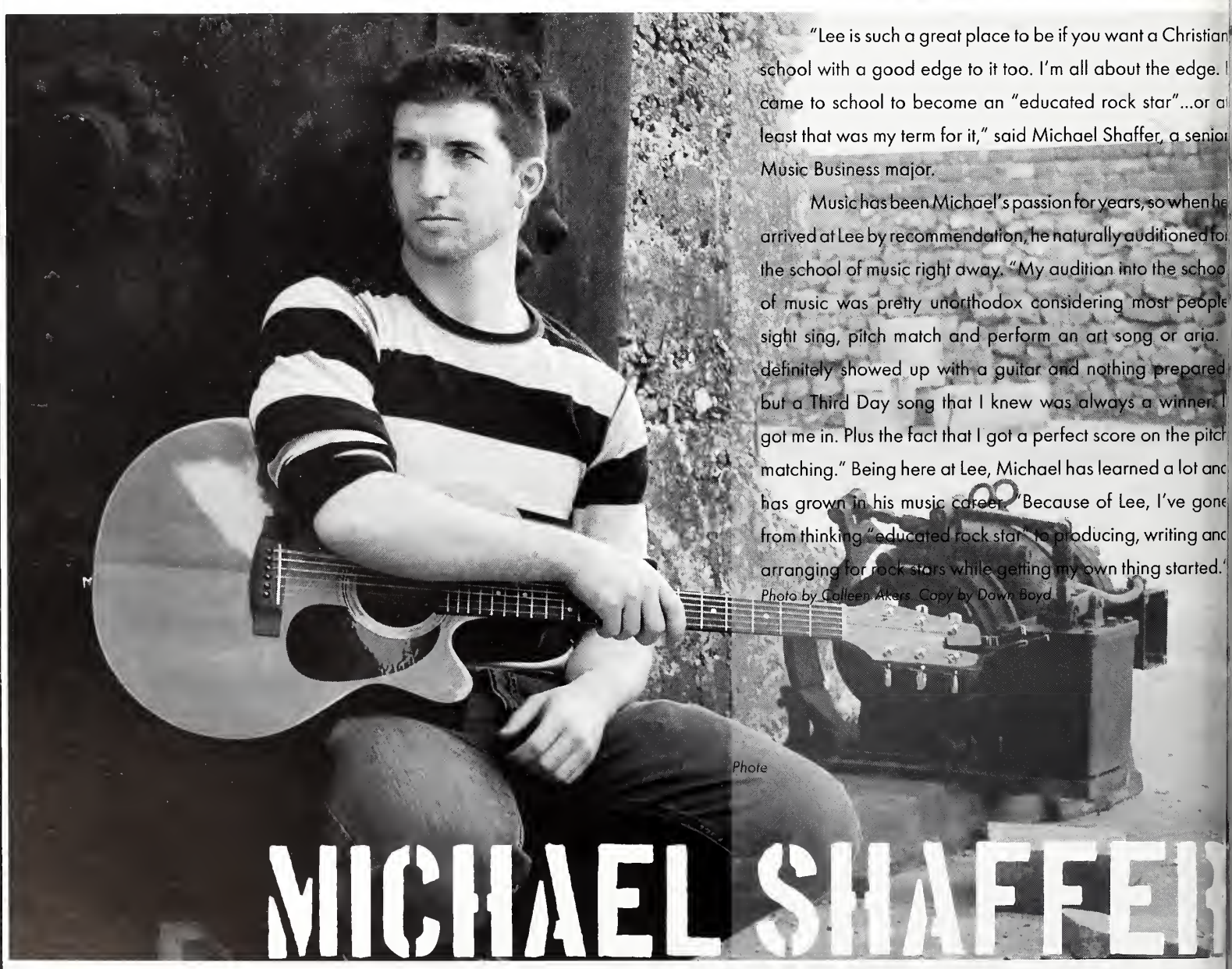
Through her involvement [illegible] Council, she reached out to the community [illegible] projects like Great Strides and a fledgling feeding ministry sponsored by her church, Chattanooga Picking up leftover groceries, she and other SLC members often brought smiles to people living in low-income housing in the community around them. *Photo by Calleen Akers. Copy by Jennifer Archer.*

Brittany McShane
Maria Meltan
Ekaterina Merlenka
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Lacy Marris

Josh Moss
Robert Moss
Ryan Mundy
Danny Murphy
Mamie Murphy
Sean Murphy
Rachel Murray





MICHAEL SHAFFER

"Lee is such a great place to be if you want a Christian school with a good edge to it too. I'm all about the edge. I came to school to become an "educated rock star"...or at least that was my term for it," said Michael Shaffer, a senior Music Business major.

Music has been Michael's passion for years, so when he arrived at Lee by recommendation, he naturally auditioned for the school of music right away. "My audition into the school of music was pretty unorthodox considering most people sight sing, pitch match and perform an art song or aria. I definitely showed up with a guitar and nothing prepared but a Third Day song that I knew was always a winner. It got me in. Plus the fact that I got a perfect score on the pitch matching." Being here at Lee, Michael has learned a lot and has grown in his music career. "Because of Lee, I've gone from thinking "educated rock star" to producing, writing and arranging for rock stars while getting my own thing started."

Photo by Colleen Akers. Copy by Dawn Boyd.

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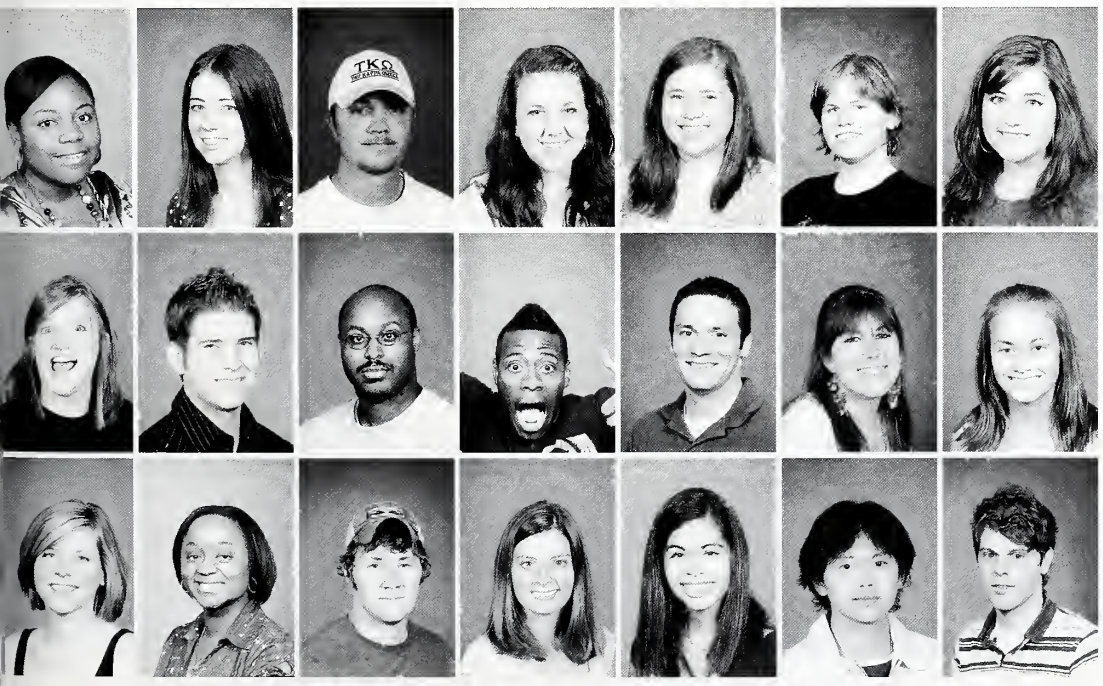


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Emily Oppenheimer

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Crystol Owen
Will Owens
Debarah Pattersan
Benjamin Peltan
Gabrielle Penas
Jesse Pickett

Andrew Pinkham
Jash Palgardi
Patti Presslar
Nathan Prince
Amanda Quigley
Kristen Quinley
Melissa Raines

I will never forget the first tax return I did for a student who was getting married soon. At the end of the process, she received enough money back to buy her wedding dress. I know this may be small, but it touched me deeply."
Kristi Vanoy



Ashley Ramsey
Erin Ramsey
James Reed
Emily Rich
Jessica Robbins
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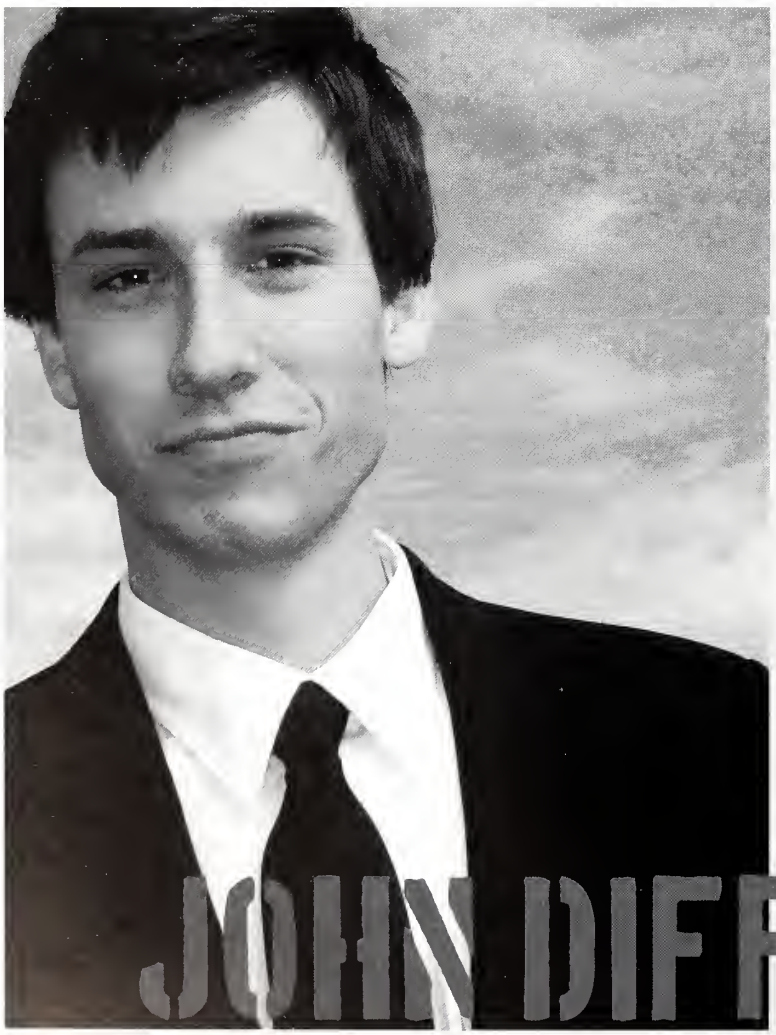
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Lacey Stokes
Courtney Strawser
Alex Sturgil
Amy Thornhill

Zach Thurman
Julie Tiwari
Yutaka Tomoishi
Paul Tosch
Michele Tower
Tiffany Trail
Dana Travnik

Craig Trent
Jonathan Tully
Brianna VanderVeen
Kristi Vanoy
James Vassell
Rachel Warden
Amanda Warner



JOHN DIFFENDERFER

"My senior year was insane. With trying to graduate early, preparing for my marriage, working five jobs, participating in various clubs and honor societies, maintaining my grades, completing my service learning requirements, relocating and stating controversial opinions in the campus newspaper, the year flew by. Looking back, it was probably the best year of my life, though the frenzy didn't allow much time for relaxation. Some people recommend taking it easy for one's senior year, but I have always felt that it is much more fun to go out in a blaze of glory." *Photo courtesy of John Diffenderfer.*



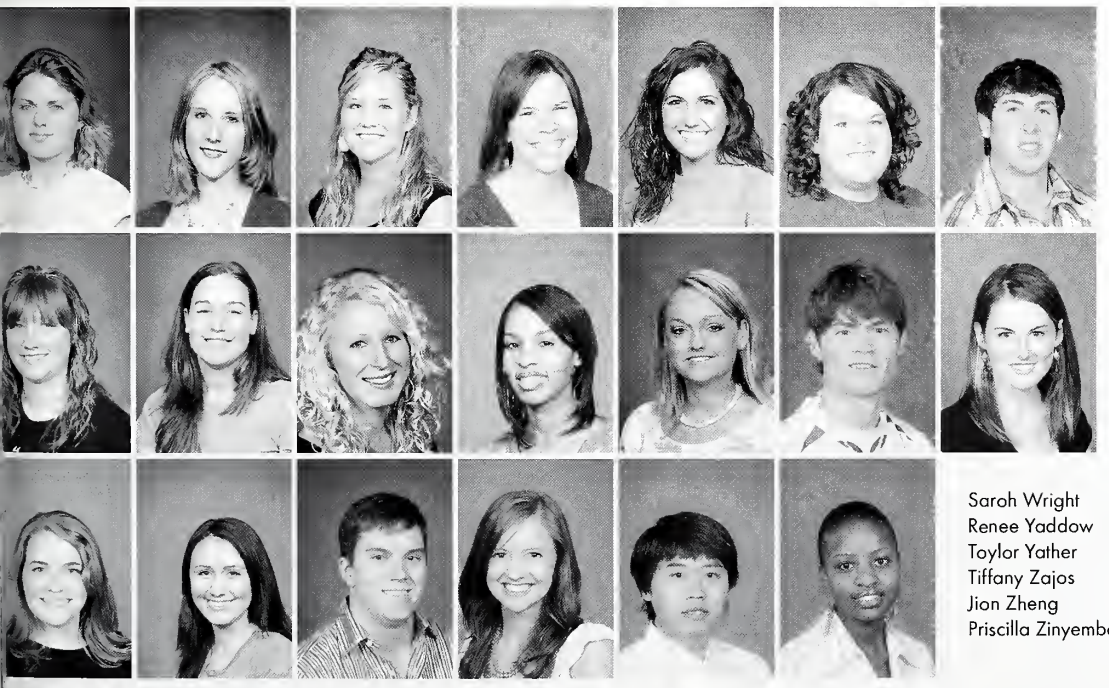
"My first day on campus, I was hired on as a photographer with Sports Information Director George Starr. Armed mostly with an eagerness to learn, Mr. Starr invested time to teach me more about the business of journalism and the application of theories I would learn in the classroom.

The day after that, I met Professor Kevin Trowbridge, advisor of the student newspaper. Again, with little experience, but a willingness to learn, Professor Trowbridge gave me an opportunity as a volunteer writer.

That same week, I found myself listening to Carolyn Dirksen who said, "Wherever you are, be there until you leave." The statement was profound in its simplicity, and I made it my goal to follow this advice while at Lee.

Since that first week I have been able to witness first hand some of Lee's greatest sports moments as a photographer, interview the most interesting people Lee has to offer, to serve as sports editor and finally as managing editor of the student newspaper. My time as a writer and editor at the Lee Clarion also created lifelong friendships with the students I worked with." *Photo courtesy of Corrie McGee.*

CORRIE MCGEE

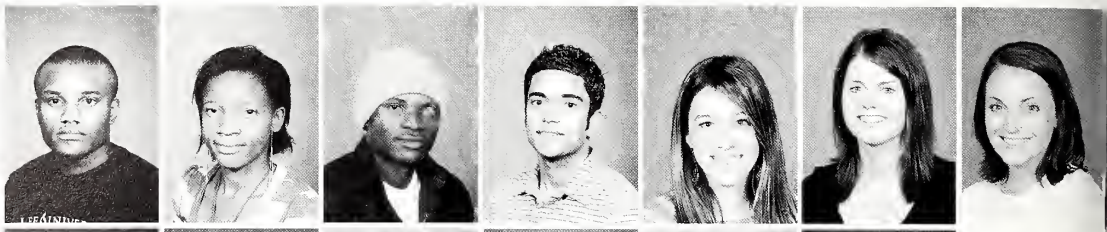


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Destiny Wheeler
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Liso Wilkins
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Carmen Willioms
Nikeya Willioms
LaTisho Wilson
Kenny Woodword
Rochel Workmon

Saroh Wright
Renee Yaddow
Toylor Yather
Tiffany Zajos
Jion Zheng
Priscilla Zinyembo

Chike Abana
Chiamaka Abanafar
David Abhulimen
Libin Abraham
Jenna Achten
Brittany Ackley
Magan Adams



Margan Adams
Paul Adams
Nwarah Adaabi
Amanda Addinall
Abisala Adeda
Rashik Adhikari
Simi Afalabi



Michael Aikens
Calleen Akers
Taylar Albin
Kristin Alexander
Rabert Alexandre
Stefania Alexendrau
Desirae Alipaur



"Being in a choir has given me the chance to travel with fellow students and sing all over the country. We all get to do something we love, sing praises to the Lord and showcase Lee as it is...a great place to grow."

Austin Barnwell

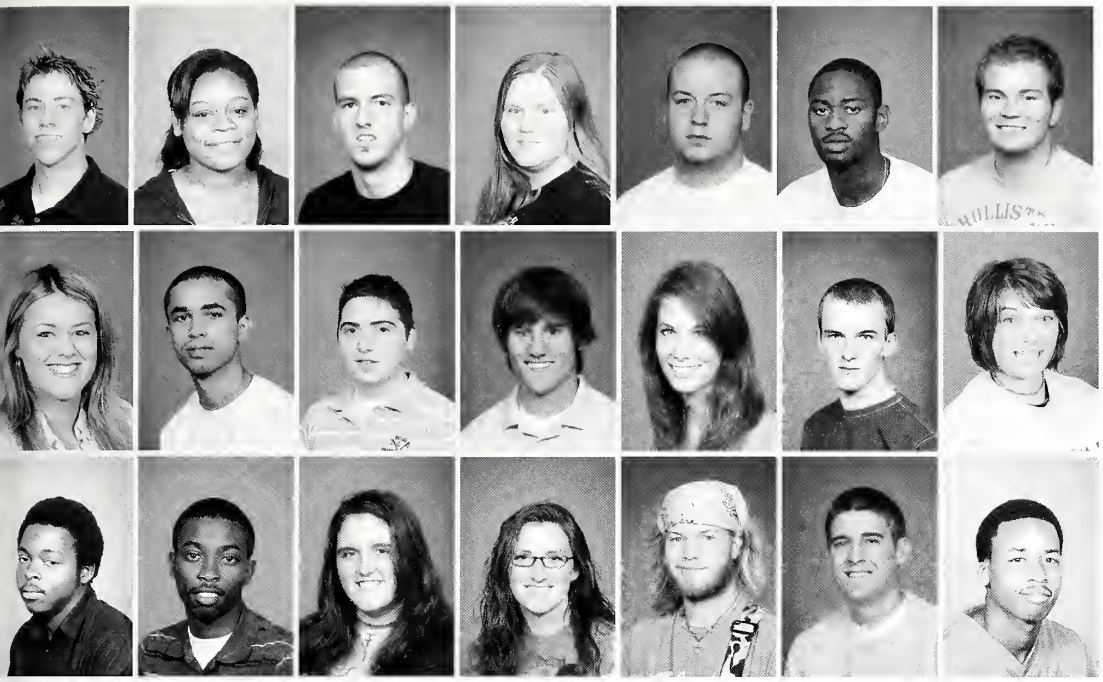
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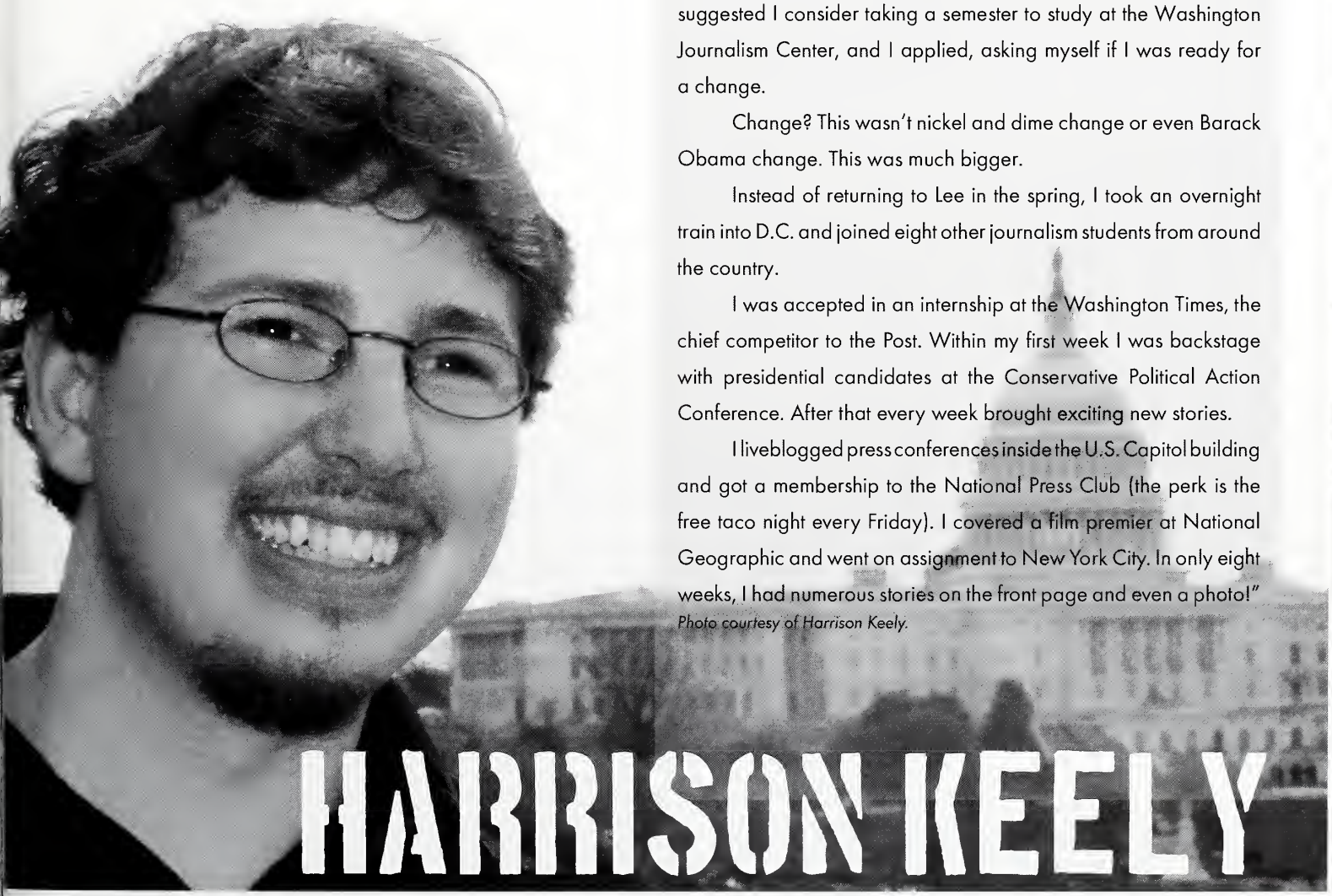
underclassmen



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Tosin Ariyo
Jordon Armstrong
Shonnon Armstrong
Breck Arnold
Oluwomoyowo Asehinde
Yozon Ashkor

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Ashish Atreyo
Gobriel Ayolo
Motthew Aycoth
Leoh Ayer
Joshuo Ayers
Kotelyn Ayers

Aboko Ayibogulu
Olukoyo Ayodeji
Amondo Bogley
Elishebo Bogrow
Greg Boiley
Tyler Boiley
Benjomin Boin



HARRISON KEELY

"It's funny how your life can change in a semester. I thought I was doing fine, living off a meal plan, sleeping in a dorm room, doing all the things a normal college student should at Lee. My adviser suggested I consider taking a semester to study at the Washington Journalism Center, and I applied, asking myself if I was ready for a change.

Change? This wasn't nickel and dime change or even Barack Obama change. This was much bigger.

Instead of returning to Lee in the spring, I took an overnight train into D.C. and joined eight other journalism students from around the country.

I was accepted in an internship at the Washington Times, the chief competitor to the Post. Within my first week I was backstage with presidential candidates at the Conservative Political Action Conference. After that every week brought exciting new stories.

I liveblogged press conferences inside the U.S. Capitol building and got a membership to the National Press Club (the perk is the free taco night every Friday). I covered a film premier at National Geographic and went on assignment to New York City. In only eight weeks, I had numerous stories on the front page and even a photo!"

Photo courtesy of Harrison Keely.

Vivette Bain
Andy Baker
Eryn Baker
Kayla Baker
Sarah Baker
Jessica Balfaur
Rebekah Ball



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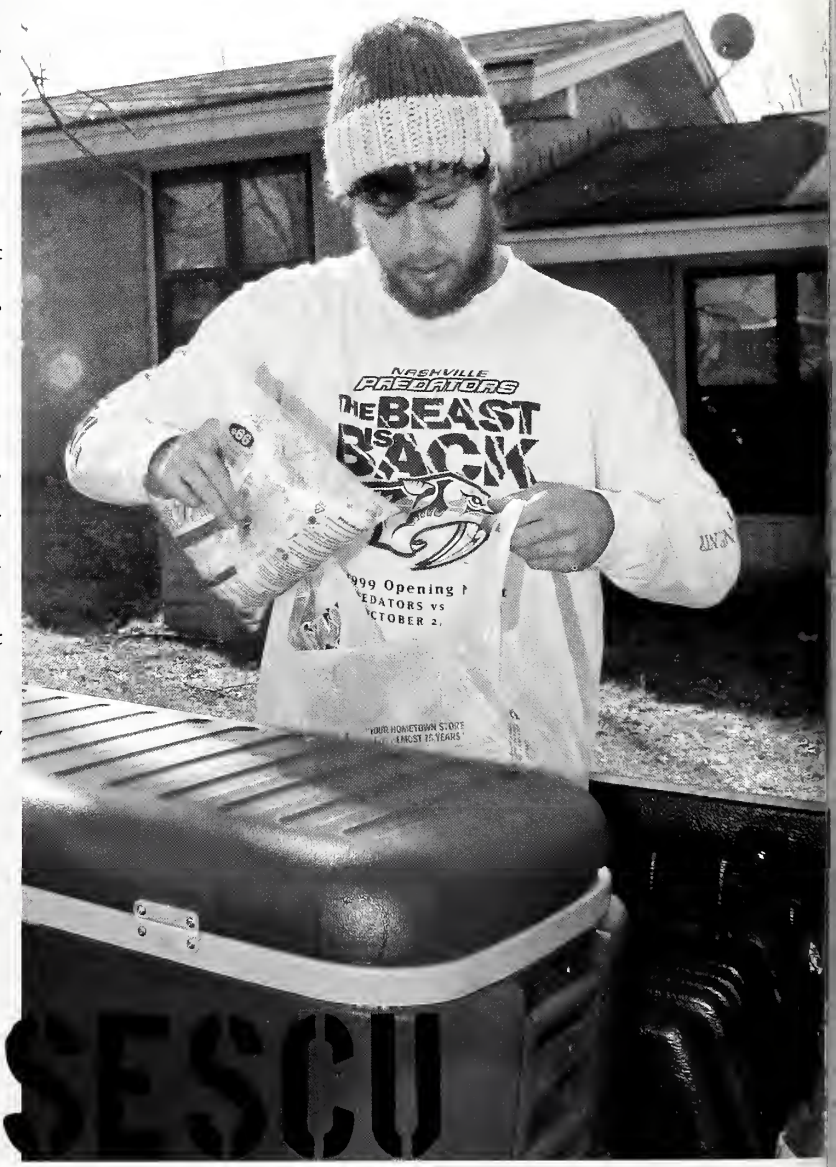
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Austin Barnwell
Kurtis Baran
Kandee Barr
Nicole Barthlow
Jeralyn Bartley



Early an Saturday marnings, when mast students an campus can be faund sleeping in, if you think Aaran Basescu will be amangst them, yau wan't find him. Instead, yau can find him at the Leanard Center Faad Bank supervising anywhere from 30 ta 50 students as they sart thraugh praduce ar fielding calls fram ather students wha have traveled ta grocery stores araund tawn ta collect milk, bread, hatdags, fruit and any number af items far the Cleveland Feeding ministry.

He nated that he has been able ta "see a different side of the ministry after living acrass the tracks since July," speaking of his decisian ta leave the darms behind and ta live with a 98-year-ald man named Buck.

Standing an the shaulders af athers wha began and arganized what was ariginally a small effart, his heart cauld be seen far the peaple of East Cleveland, as he and ather students meet nat anly their physical needs but their ematianal and spiritual anes as well. Cantinuing to expand the capabilities af the autreach thraugh ideas such as the creation af a cammunity garden, Aaran said af his experiences: "I'm just trying ta da my best ta live aut my faith, in the farm af law incame ministry." *Phata by Swarup Ranjit. Capy by Jennifer Archer.*



AARON BASESCU

Sloane's junior year at Lee "was really about experiencing new things." She lived in Livingston Hall, participated in Dorm Wars, played on the girls' rugby team, learned and volunteered with Starlite Ministries and was involved with the Lee University Democrats.

But even with all that extra curricular, she said, "the best part by far of my junior year at Lee was going on the Modern Europe trip. Over the course of three weeks, I went to seven different countries. For the three weeks, we backpacked and stayed in hostels, which was great because we actually got to meet people from the places we went to. When it was time to go back to the States, I didn't want to get back on the plane, I was having way too much fun traveling through Europe!

Overall, as I go into my final year at Lee, first I can't get over how fast it all went by; and second, I can't help but laugh at how it somehow became home. I remember being a freshman and going home to Atlanta every chance I could get, but the longer I'm here and the more involved I got, as much as I hate to say it, Cleveland became my home.

This is where my friends are and I can't think of any place I'd rather be... well, other then Paris." *Phato courtesy of Sloane Tait. Copy by Elizabeth Camptan.*



SLOANE TAIT



Joseph Bartling
Amanda Bartalameall
Nicale Bartalameall
Eric Bartan
Hannah Bartaw
Hannah Bashar
Ranar Basnet

Kevin Bateman
Barack Batemare
Amber Bates
Jardan Battani
Rebecca Batten
Adam Baxter
Sierra Baxter

Andrew Baysare
Philip Bazikian
Lindsay Beacham
Brandi Beard
Luidgi Beauzile
Jashua Bellmare
Bella Bella

Yuliyo Belovo
Donnoe Bender
Chase Bennett
Jennifer Bennett
Robert Bennett
Chondro Berry
Jonothon Berry

Daniel Berryhill
Christeeno Bertinetti
Lona Bertinetti
Roune' Betts
Wyott Bevis
John Bishop
Brion Bistogne

Tyson Block
Beth Bloir
Brittani Blair
Justin Bloke
Jeremy Blonchord
Corl Bledsoe
Marilyn Blaodworth

William Bodkin
Michelle Bollmon
Lindy Bonin
Soroh Bookout
Suson Bookout
Tara Bowlin
Jennifer Bowman



Anna Rich didn't really intend to become a part of Starlite Ministries; but as she noted, they "really know how to reel a girl in." After the initial ice cream social recruitment, not convinced that she was cut out for that kind of ministry, she knew that God had His plans for her regardless.

"The night before the applications were due, I had one of the most disturbing dreams of my life, and I woke up in a panic and my first thoughts were, 'God- what the heck?' My next thought, which was less freaked out and more respectful towards the Author of the universe, was, 'I should do Starlite.' So I went to the post office, wrote down my dream and how much I didn't want to volunteer and turned in my application."

The rest you might say is history. This freshman from Johns Creek, Ga. met weekly with sixth grade girls at Lake Forest Middle School to share their hopes and dreams. Though unsure of her major, Anna leaned toward political science hoping to pursue a career as a missionary or perhaps an ambassador to Iran. This complemented her love of travel and other cultures. But she kept busy with many other diverse activities in the meantime, including a women's Bible study, the school's improv club, a quilting guild and the Kairos Scholars. *Photo caurtesy of Anna Rich. Copy by Jennifer Archer.*



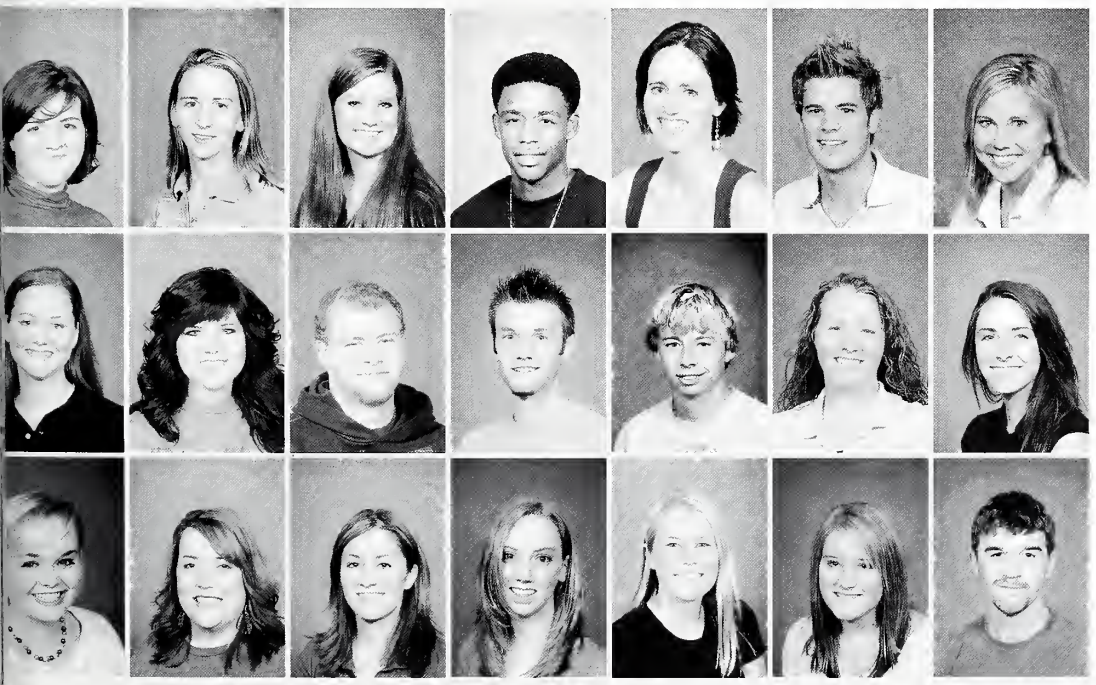
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Christopher Brewer
Joshuo Brewer
Deborah Brienen
Soroh Briggs
Derrick Brinkley
Kotie Britton
Brittony Broodhead

What can I say about Lee? I love every moment I have had here. I transferred to Lee and imediately found friends who I know will stick by my side no matter where our at his lead."

Christina Banwart



Volerie Bronkemo
Soroh Bronson
Amondo Brooks
David Brawn
Erin Brown
Micah Jomes Brown
Amy Brawning

Emily Brawning
Kristen Bruce
Motthew Bryont
Chodwick Bucklond
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Stephen Butler
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Emily Carlisle
Derek Carlsan
Ali Carltan
Ashley Carrall
Dwayne Carruthers
Benjamin Carter
Lydia Carter



"I love being a student and working in
Jazzman's. It's a great location to see my
friends during the day while they pop in t
grab a cup of coffee.
Julieann Koffeman

Tim Carter
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Kevin Castilla



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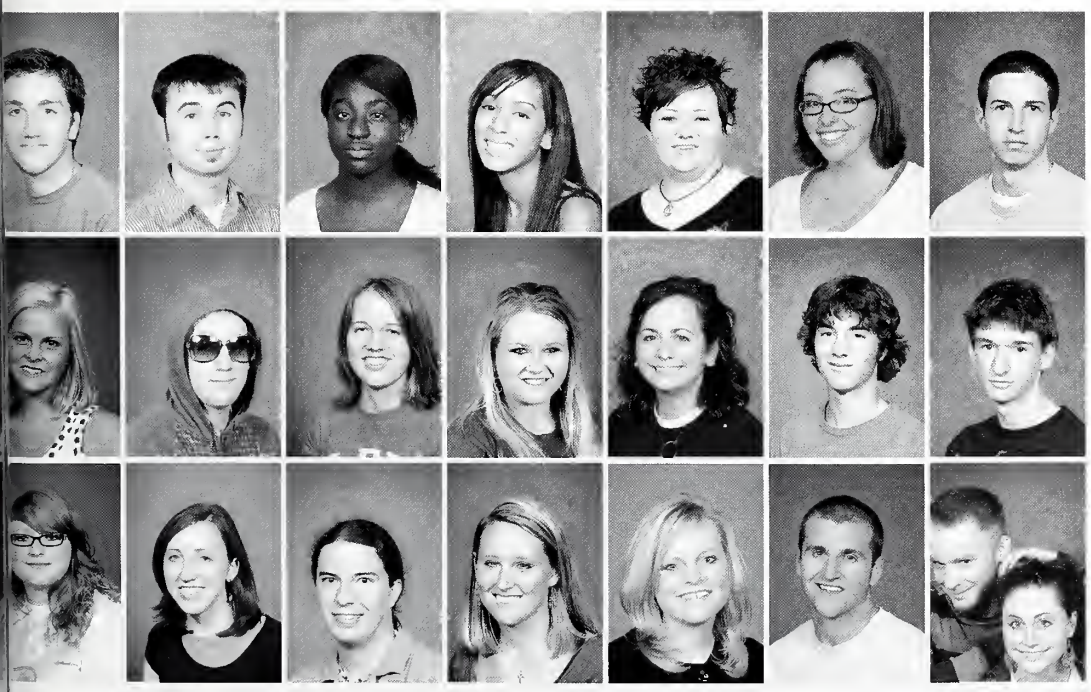


DAVID PEMBERTON

"Some how, despite a large occourance of unseen events, I am a senior in college. A prestigious level of academia not reached by either my brother, Jon Pemberton nor my sister, Val Leverton.

In such a light as this, I am left only to reflect on how I was the superior strain of DNA in my family's gene pool. I hope to continue my education after I receive my degree in order to further spite both my brother and sister.

Curently, I am a Writing major, with a minor in Cursive." *Photo caurtesy of Dovid Pembertan.*



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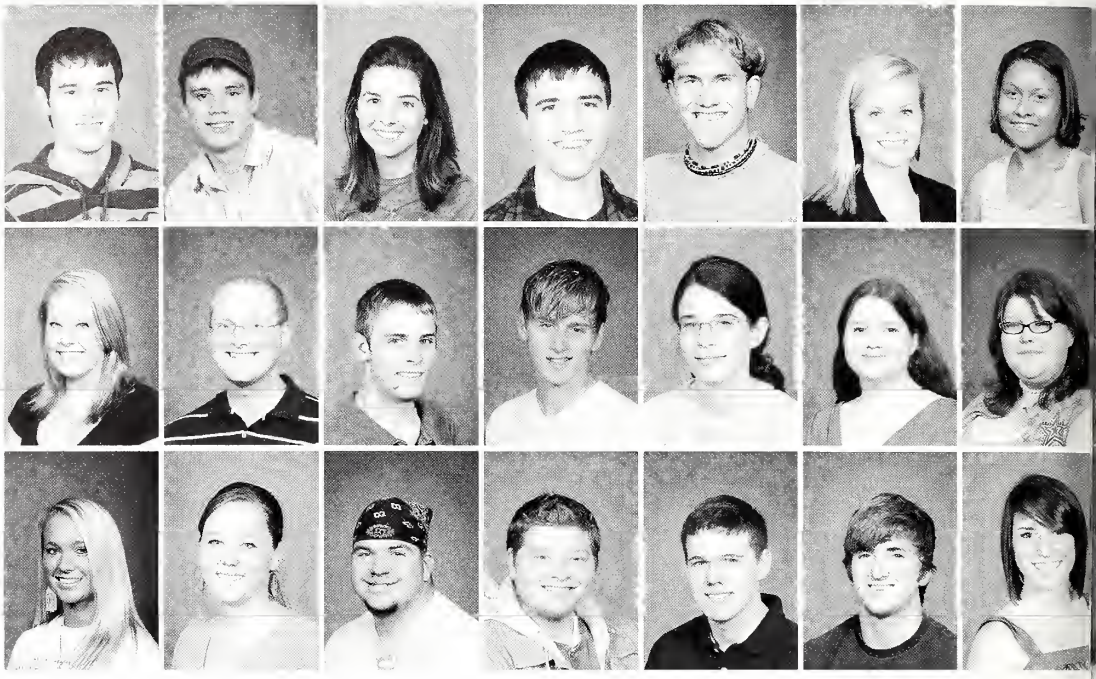
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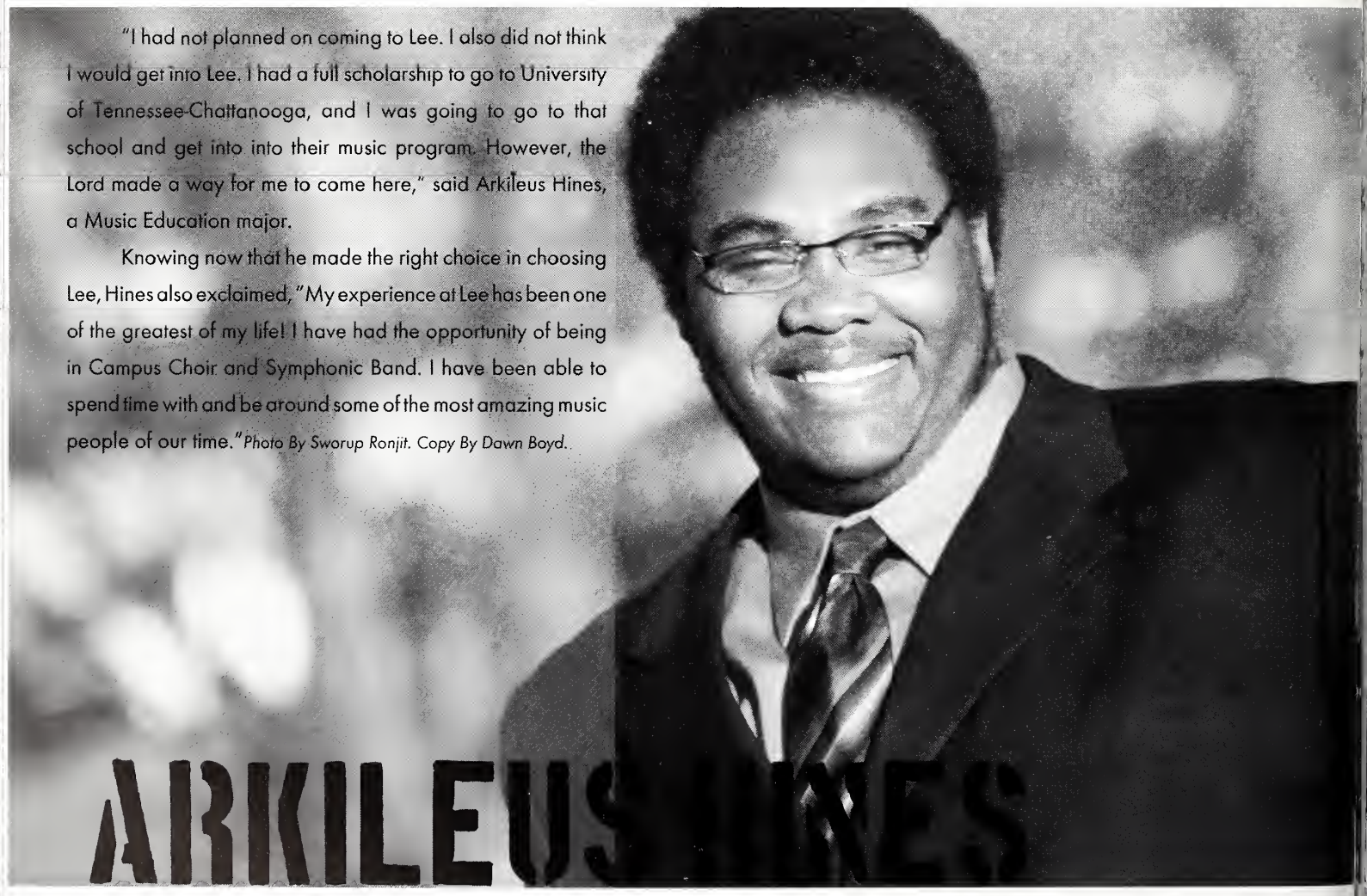
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Jordon Crews
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Nicole Crews



"I had not planned on coming to Lee. I also did not think I would get into Lee. I had a full scholarship to go to University of Tennessee-Chattanooga, and I was going to go to that school and get into into their music program. However, the Lord made a way for me to come here," said Arkileus Hines, a Music Education major.

Knowing now that he made the right choice in choosing Lee, Hines also exclaimed, "My experience at Lee has been one of the greatest of my life! I have had the opportunity of being in Campus Choir and Symphonic Band. I have been able to spend time with and be around some of the most amazing music people of our time." *Photo By Sworup Ronjit. Copy By Dawn Boyd.*



ARKILEUS HINES



Angela Cramer
Brittany Crass
Steven Crass
Archie Crassland
Jami Crause
Matthew Crawsan
Jacqueline Crum

Stephen Cudd
Jessica Cunningham
Stephany Cunningham
Jahn Nichalas Cupp
Larissa Curtis
Leanne Curtis
Janathan Cutrell

Nichalas Dalbey
Katherine Damran
Kala Danae
Kelsey Daniels
Eren Dansby
Izumi Dateyama
Jason David

Being involved with SLC has given me the opportunity to lead and get my hands in activities across the Lee board. SLC strives to develope students into leaders not only on campus but in the real world as well."
Andrea Tirnashy



Mitchell Davidsan
Brittany Davis
Chris Davis
Chris Davis
Claytan Davis
Jardan Davis
Rebecca Davis

Meaghan Davis Maare
Dana de'Lande
Chad Dean
Megan Dean
Marcella DeChant
Brian DeLaach
Ana Dennis

Chase Dentan
Caurtney Dentan
Katie Dentan
Katlyn Dew
Shailesh Dhakal
Amber Diamand
Ysalys Diaz



"I am a junior from North Georgia majoring in Communications. With this major, I hope to work with neglected children to show them the love of Christ. For fun, I have taken sociology and psychology classes because I enjoy learning about how our society is developed and the reason why people act the way the do.

One of my favorite classes this year was personality theory with Susan Carter. The hands on activities and homework that helped facilitate the lecture made learning about my personality fun and eye opening. Who knew that I had such a complicated personality.

Having Steve Fee come to give a concert in the Conn Center was one of my highlights for this year. His worship session was so inspirational and heart felt that I felt rejuvenated and ready to tackle the week ahead.

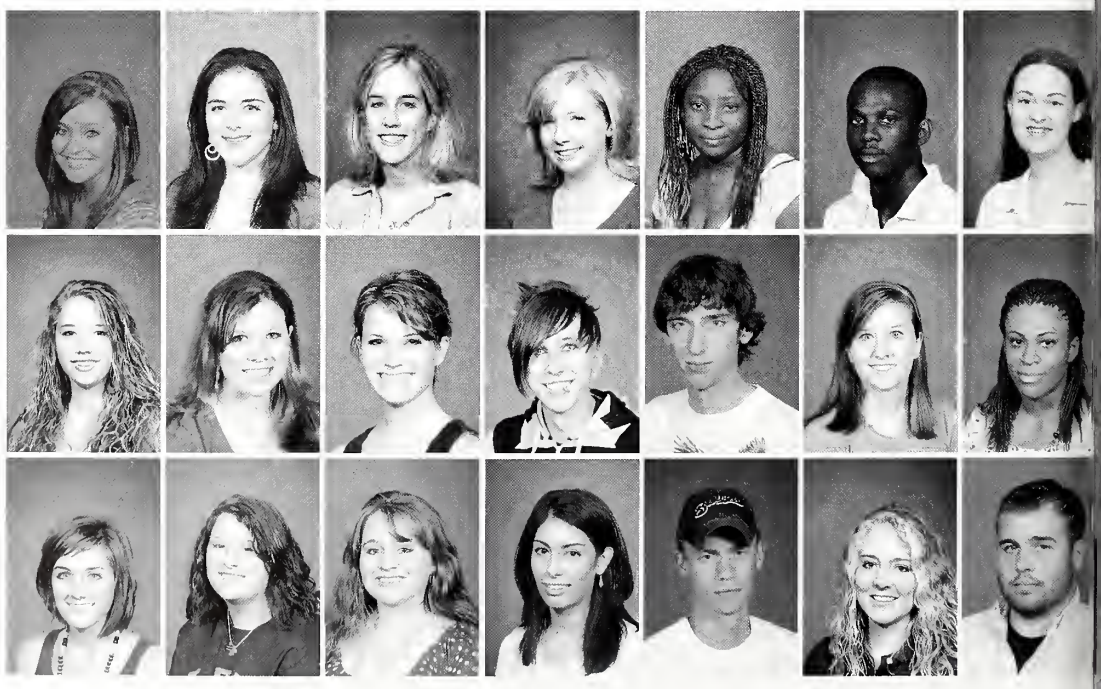
I love being outside in God's creation, it is how I connect most intimately to God. The campus is so pretty that I made sure I was outside as much as possible so that I felt healthy and happy, and it eased the stress of the day. I made this year my own by not sweating the petty stuff but instead making memories at school that will last a lifetime." *Photo courtesy of Andreo Droddy.*

ANDREA DRADDY

Crystol Dickey
Aloyna DiGirolomo
Sarah Dike
Kelli Dingle
Eniolo Dipe
Aigbokhoi Dirisu
Koro Dixon

Toylor Dackery
Pomelo Dolon
Ciaro Doll
Adom Dommeyer
Jeffrey Donohue
Jennifer Donovon
Esther Dorivol

Cotherine Dorn
Brooke Dorris
Erico Downs
Ashley Dayle
Jael Droch
Andreo Droddy
Aoron Driver





Chris Duban
Alex Duckett
Melanie Duncon
Ashley Dunford
Nat Durant
Jessica Durham
Mary Dyer

Emily Dykstra
Becky Edwards
Natalie Eggenschwiler
David Eichelberger
Zack Eldredge
Jessica Eldridge
Mandi Elliott

Sheeno Elliatt
Stephanie Elliott
Christy Ellis
Laura Ellis
Mahlet Elsoubegzi
Joshua Elton
Danielle English

"I don't know about anyone else, but I have always struggled ith the concept of eternity. Spending forever anywhere has always ightened me. How can I look forward to heaven when I know it will ever ever end? Such thoughts have plagued me and have essentially rned the concept of eternity into my worst fear.

Last year, at a four hour chapel service, I began to glimpse the eginning idea of eternal worship. Worship has always been so formal me, and I think has thus confined my view of praising God. I have en other people completely "let go" before and fully in love with eir heavenly Father and Savior, literally dance before their Creator. hat a beautiful sight.

As one worship song stretched into 30 minutes, with the lyrics oclaiming "Freedom reigns in this place - showers of mercy and ace - falling on every face - there is freedom."

I began to laugh, literally laugh, because I knew that there is a y that is found in freedom and that freedom, TRUE freedom, is found knowing my savior, the living God.

And as my laughter turned into tears of love and thankfulness, egan to see that perhaps worship is meant to be a thing of beauty. s not stagnant. It is not confined. It does not always have to equate iousness or strict reverence; it can mean love, grace, mercy and st certainly, freedom." *Photo courtesy of Coral Hoys.*



CAROL HAY

Adam Enachs
Rab Entsminger
GraceAnne Erwin
Olufunke Etaje
Catherine Evanaff
Jahnathen Evans
Angelica Every



Melissa Fain
David Fair
Hallie Fann
Tammy Fansler
Gadwin Farrecas
Mary Faxan
Jasan Feliciana



Brandon Fenty
Kaitlin Ferguson
Kimberly Ferguson
Shannon Ferguson
Thomas Ferguson
Nicholas Ferrell
Lucas Ferretti



Urban Outreach trips had an influence on Lee students. Christy Jordan visited Atlanta on an Urban Outreach trip. "We went to Safe House Outreach Center in Atlanta. We prepared soup and put together bags of necessities for the homeless people."

Jordan had no problem speaking up and ministering to the homeless people. "I prayed for a man named Isaiah. Before I started to pray, he was trying to act tough, but when I started to pray for him he softened up and opened his heart to what I was saying. He then told me that he needed prayer and wanted to be delivered from drinking alcohol. I would definitely go on another trip if I could. I like just doing what God has called me to do. I don't even need anymore service hours!" *Phata by Janchai Mantrelerdrasme. Capy by Dawn Bayd.*



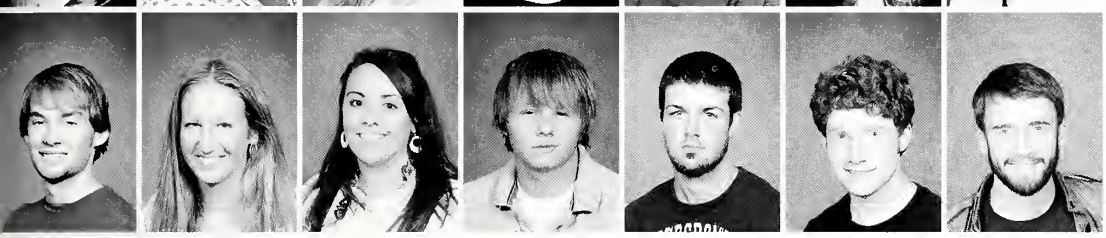
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Amanda Filippone
Kristin Fincher
Barbara Fischer
Amanda Fisher



Stephanie Fisher
Reshae Flegal
Sarah Flippen
Matt Flowers
Josh Floyd
Megan Foggin
Lindsey Ford



Joseph Fowler
Emily Fox
Olivia Franco
Daniel Frank
Josh Franklin
Travis Franklin
Tyler Franklin

"The English and Modern Foreign Language Department has made me want to study English and French. I would love to use these languages to educate children around the world. Jaime Lee University!"

Rachael LaFever



Elizabeth Franks
Eric Frazier
Travis Frazier
Desiree Frederick
Ashley Freebarn
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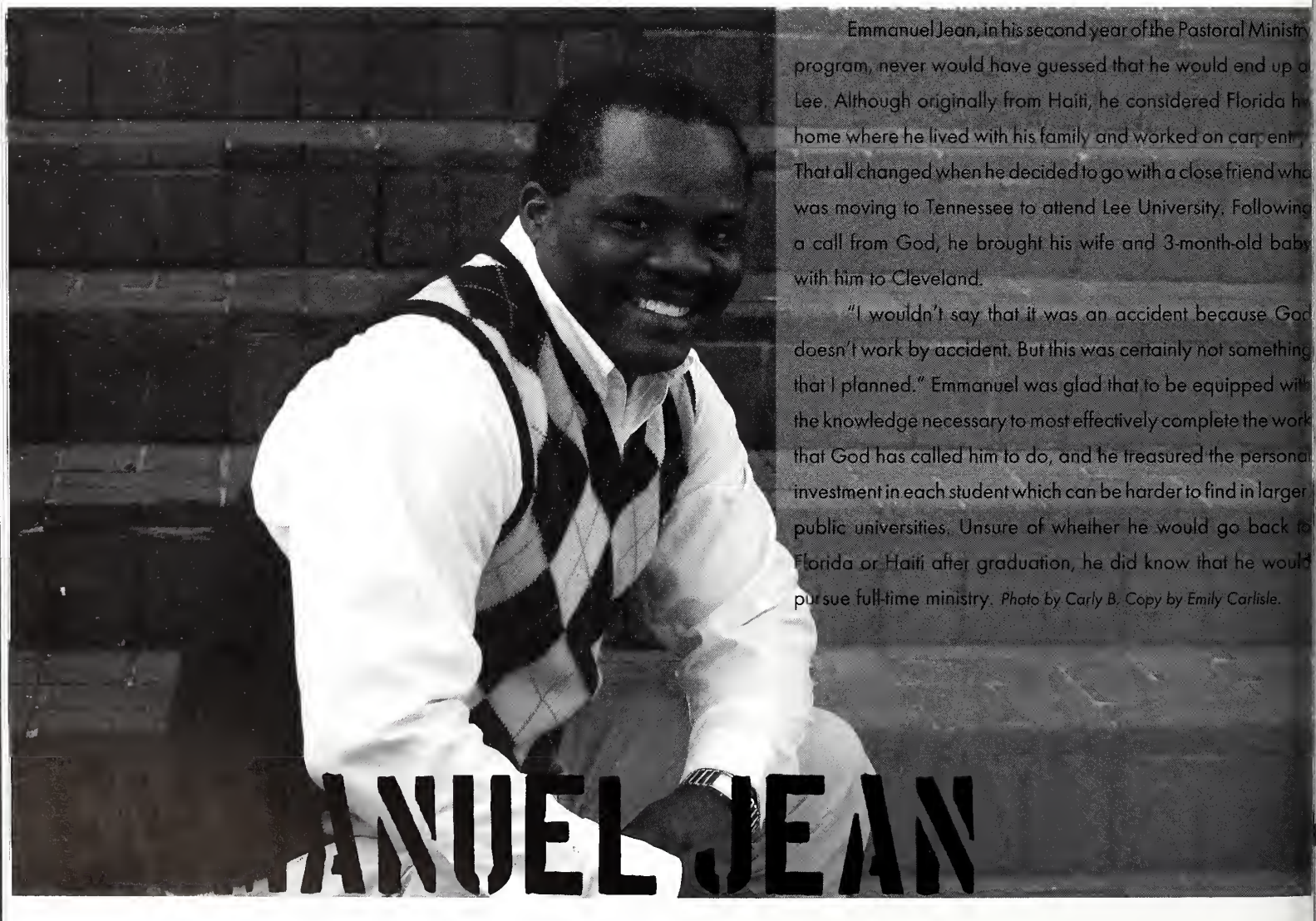
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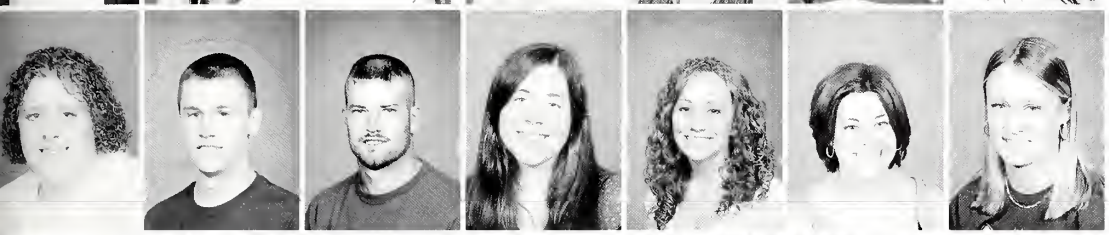
MANUEL JEAN

Emmanuel Jean, in his second year of the Pastoral Ministry program, never would have guessed that he would end up a Lee. Although originally from Haiti, he considered Florida h home where he lived with his family and worked on carpentry That all changed when he decided to go with a close friend who was moving to Tennessee to attend Lee University. Following a call from God, he brought his wife and 3-month-old baby with him to Cleveland.

"I wouldn't say that it was an accident because God doesn't work by accident. But this was certainly not something that I planned." Emmanuel was glad that to be equipped wit the knowledge necessary to most effectively complete the work that God has called him to do, and he treasured the personal investment in each student which can be harder to find in larger public universities. Unsure of whether he would go back to Florida or Haiti after graduation, he did know that he would pursue full-time ministry. *Photo by Carly B. Copy by Emily Carlisle.*



Jacquelyn Graham
Stacie Graves
Crystal Graydan
Elle Greely
Marissa Green
Max Green
Sarah Ruth Greenway



Mariah Greenwaad
Matthew Greetham
Jash Gregary
Elizabeth Griffis
Ali Griggs
Kelsi Grime
Kaitlyn Grasch



Tara Groves
Nathan Grubb
Dan Guffy
Meghan Guinn
Ivle Gulbrandson
Kelsea Gunter
Whitney Haber

"We're never going to get these years back, and it won't matter how many books we've read if we didn't have at least one thought provoking conversation with a classmate or professor debating the ethics of C. S. Lewis."
Erin Erdos



Andrew Habermas
Emilie Hagee
Jessica Haggy
Megan Hahn
Christopher Hakansan
Matt Hale
Caleb Hall



Jae Hall
Marianne Hall
Alyssa Hallaway
Jordan Halsey
Valerie Hamiltan
Jared Hamitlan
Caitlin Hamman



Jordan Hammand
Beth Harbin
Evan Harder
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Christina Hardy
Tiffany Harlan
Bryce Harper

Tami Harrell
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Aaron Harrisan
Dallas Hartman



Janelle Hartman
Brittany Harvey
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Benjamin Hawkins
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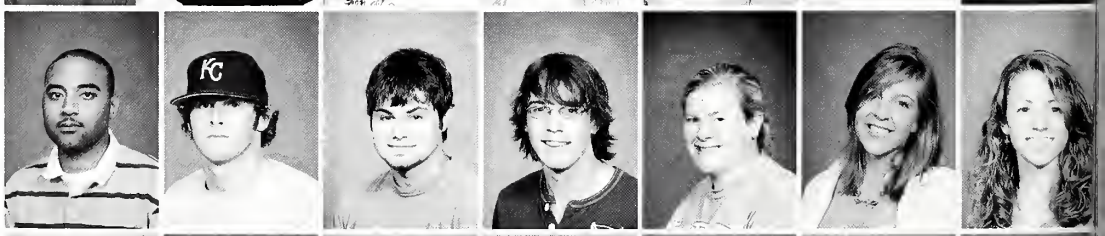
"Before coming to Cleveland, from Los Angeles, I already knew what Lee had to offer and knew I was taking the right steps in my pursuit of academic excellence, while building my relationship with Christ."

Myles Matsuno

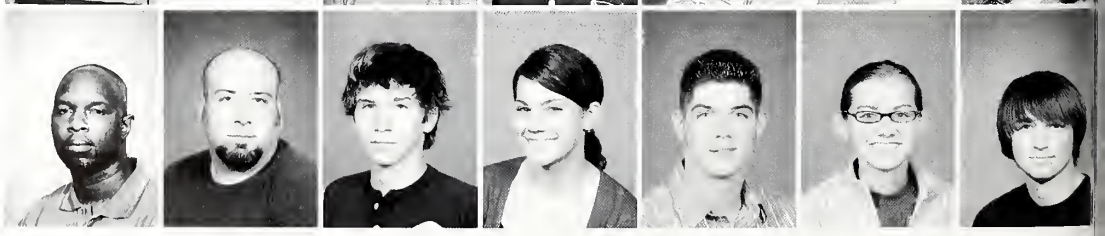
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Michael High
Alessa Hill
Elizabeth Hill
Jessica Hill



Frank Hinksan
Wade Hinsan
Jahn Hite IV
Victaria Habbs
Charles Hadge III
Jessica Hadsan
Justin Haffman



Rusti Keen is a senior History major with a minor in Business Administration and French from Danville, Va. While at Lee, she has been involved in College Republicans, the Lee University Symphonic Band, the Phi Alpha Theta History Honor Society and has served on the Lee University Diversity Council. In the fall of 2007, Rusti served as a Peer Leader for the Gateway Freshman Seminar classes; and beginning in fall of 2008, she will serve as the Head Peer Leader for the program. She works for the Dixon Pentecostal Research Center as a student worker and researcher and also for the Office of First Year Programs as a student worker. She taught music lessons to fourth and fifth graders at Blythe-Bower Elementary school in conjunction with Symphonic Band. In May of 2008, Rusti went on the History Department's Cross Cultural trip to England and Scotland to study Roman and Medieval British history.

"I have loved every minute that I've been at Lee. I've been privileged to become involved in so many different aspects of the campus and student life. My experiences have helped me to grow tremendously, and I will always value the time that I spent here and the friendships that I made." *Photo courtesy of Josh Wilking. Copy by Josh Wilking.*



RUSTI KEEN



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Jordon Holt

Summer Holt
Gwen Holtzclow
Dovid Homesley
Comeran Honeycutt
Koylo Hood
Noelle Hood
Tonyo Hopper

Mork Horn II
Jessico Horne
Meghon Horton
Jioxi Hou
Anne Houghton
Timothy Houghton
Kotie House

Stephanie Hause
William Houser
Paul Haward
Jenelle Howe
Anna Hrushka
Jay Hrushka
Blake Hughes



Heather Hughes
Jacab Hughey
Desmand Humphrey
Travis Hunley
Ciera Huntsinger
William Hurst
Hunter Hydas



Jeff Ibarra
Phebe Idal
Hannah Imler
Victaria Inman
Anthany Irazuru
Kingsley Iruzunu
Lilly Irvin



"The most important thing I have learned here at Lee is that no matter what stage in my life I find myself in, all I need is faith to go forth. Faith in both my God and myself and with that, I will find a way."

Jessica Arriaga

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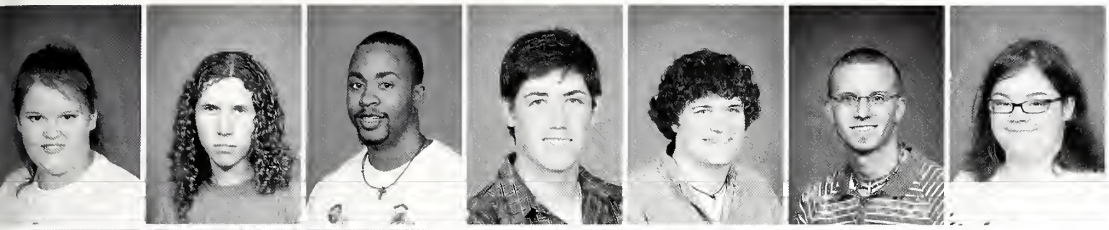


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Christy Jerin
Ben Jahns
Adam Jahnsan
Bryan Jahnsan





Jordon Johnson
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Brice Jones
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Christopher Jones
Courtney Jones
Meliko Jones
Stephen Jones
Taylor Jones



Cori Joplin
Kiley Joplin
Kayla Jordan
Judith Joshua
Jonathan Juarbe
Amanda Jude
Lacey Jumpp



ERIKA GONZALEZ

Being a freshman at the age of 29 had Erika Gonzalez a little nervous about starting school again. She quickly found that it wasn't as bad as she had anticipated.

"It's been a great transition back into school. It hasn't been as hard as I thought it would be!"

Gonzalez said that she heard great things about this school, when looking for a school to go to after being out of high school for years. Gonzalez spoke about her experience at Lee so far: "My experience has been great! I love all my classes, and all my professors are really nice and very helpful."

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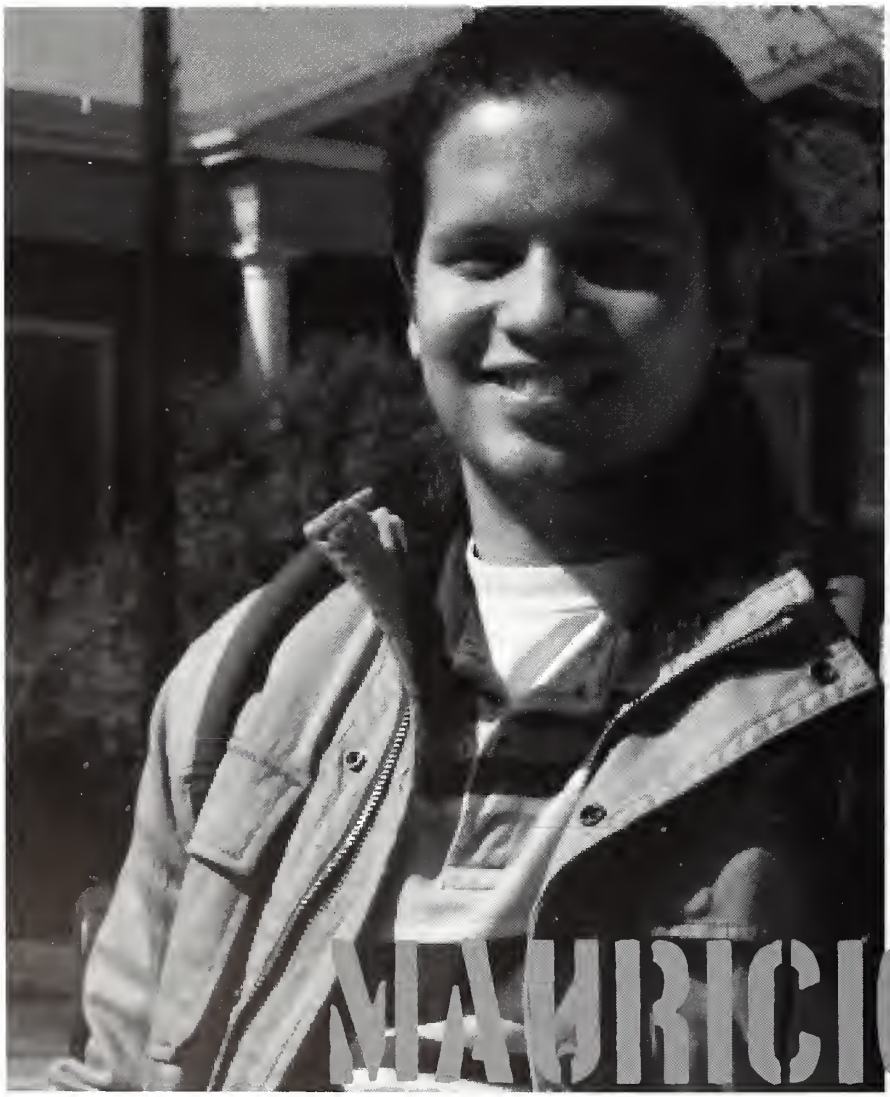


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Kendra Kerrick
Wesley Kerrick
Miguel Khan
Jessica Khatena





MAURICIO PERAZA

You might ask how Mauricio Peraza, originally from Valencia, Venezuela, ended up in the small world of Cleveland, Tenn. It all began when he started playing basketball for his school in Venezuela.

During his time with the team, they attended a basketball camp in Orlando, Fla., where he met a coach that discussed with him the possibility of playing for a school in the U.S. Everything worked out and before Peraza knew it, he was on a plane headed to Cartersville, Ga., where he joined the ranks of Excell Christian Academy's basketball players.

Peraza came to Lee after being told about the school by his pastor and touring the campus with a group from his high school.

Peraza was a freshman business administration major and loved being at Lee. Some of his favorite things about school included meeting new and different people and attending chapel, where he enjoyed regularly hearing different speakers.

"I like being here...when it's warm," said Peraza. *Copy by Jessica Smlley. Phata by Shashank Shrestha.*



Amber Kienlen
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Cotie Kilgore
Doro Killion
Louro Kinder
Jackie King
Nicole King

Valerie King
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Stephanie Kinsey
Sara Kistner
Nick Kizzee
Victoria Knight
Heather Knoff

Lindsoy Knotts
Jona Kolstod
Cait Kooistro
Alyse Kopp
Rebecca Krese
Amy Kresge
Kylee Krings



"I'm from Buford, Ga. And while people call me Ezell, not a lot of people know that my first name is Thomas.

This past year was an amazing year as the manger of the Lee Flames Basketball team because of their 33-2 season. I got to see I got to see the process of these men go from individuals, to players on a team, then become to a family! '1-2-3 FAMILY' is what we shouted after each practice and game.

What really made my year was when we won the SSAC tournament. After the game, I got to climb the ladder and help cut down the net. Also, it was great when we scored a lay up as time ended to beat the NCAA Division 1 East Carolina team.

I was also the Vice President of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, a national fraternity, and a member of the Symphonic Band."
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EZELL DODD

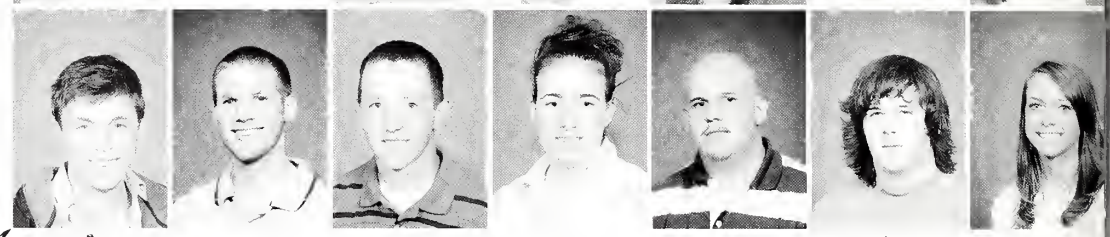
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Amysha Lann
Aaron Larsen
Meredith Lawler



Cale Lawrence
Hunter Lawsan
Josh Lawsan
LaDanna Ledbetter
Chris Ledford
Jashua Lee
Krista Lee



"My junior year was my toughest yet
Because my friends, professors and family
continually pushed me. I finished the school
year with a different outlook than the first
two, not just because I had overcome a rough
season but also because I had grown."
Keri Jewett

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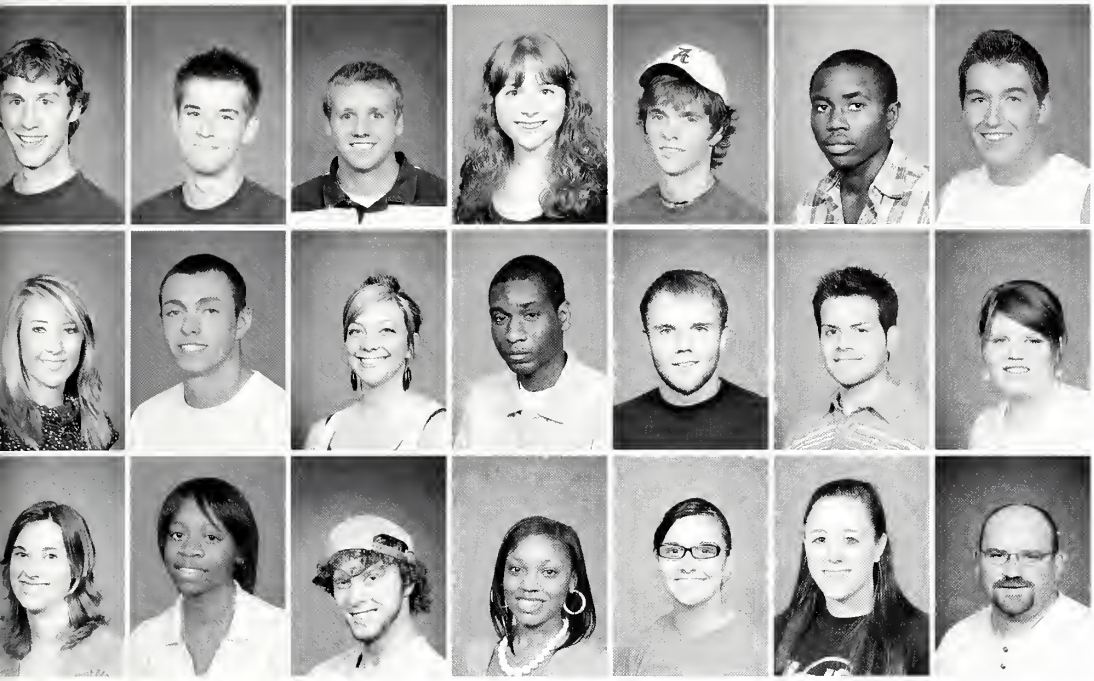


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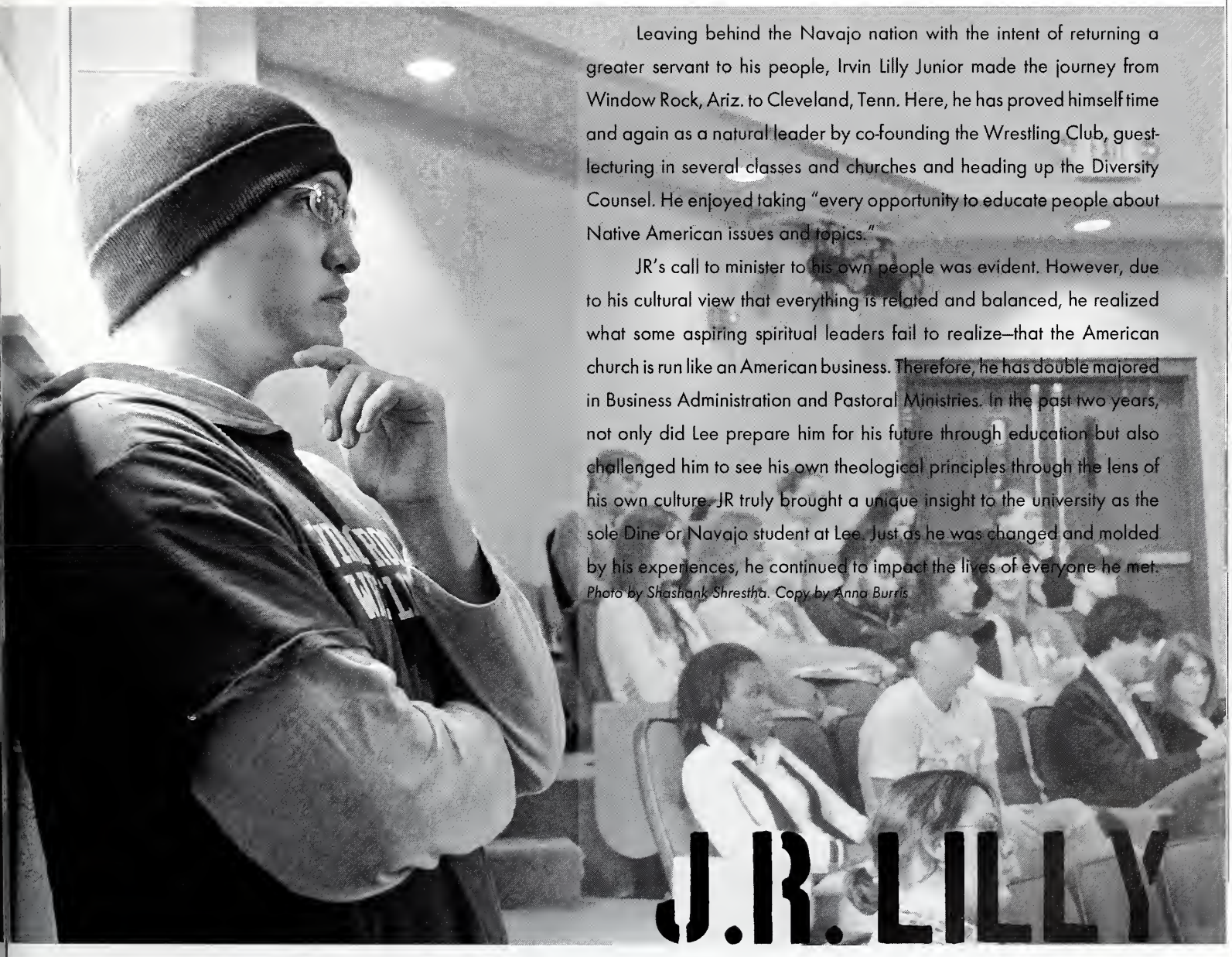




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J.R. LILLY

Leaving behind the Navajo nation with the intent of returning a greater servant to his people, Irvin Lilly Junior made the journey from Window Rock, Ariz. to Cleveland, Tenn. Here, he has proved himself time and again as a natural leader by co-founding the Wrestling Club, guest-lecturing in several classes and churches and heading up the Diversity Counsel. He enjoyed taking "every opportunity to educate people about Native American issues and topics."

JR's call to minister to his own people was evident. However, due to his cultural view that everything is related and balanced, he realized what some aspiring spiritual leaders fail to realize–that the American church is run like an American business. Therefore, he has double majored in Business Administration and Pastoral Ministries. In the past two years, not only did Lee prepare him for his future through education but also challenged him to see his own theological principles through the lens of his own culture. JR truly brought a unique insight to the university as the sole Dine or Navajo student at Lee. Just as he was changed and molded by his experiences, he continued to impact the lives of everyone he met.

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Kimberley Masters
Andrea Matthews
Hally Mattingly
Janathan Mattingly
Kesha Maxwell
Rachelle Mayberry



David Mayfield
Elizabeth Mayhew
Asehinde Mayawa
Michelle Mazzella
Saria McAnally
Cassie McAvene
Angie McCain



Brad McClain
Emily McCamb
Justin McCamber
Lexy McCay
Adam McCrary
Katherine McCredie
Mandy McDaniel-Stark



"Whether we dress as ninjas to prank boys, camp in the living room, toast on the roof, act like COG wives (a.k.a. the hair) or hold each other as the tears fall, my friends and I have bonded in ways unfathomable."

Laura Monroe

Jasan McDonald
Jared McElhaney
Kelsey McKernie
Amy McKinney
Jacab McKinney
Braake McKinnan
Hannah McManus



Kelley McNabb
Candice McNamara
Anna McNeil
Megan McTernan
Shana McWhirter
Jahn Mederaft
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Danielle Metcalf
Katherine Metcalf
Erin Meyer
Hanna Meyer





Mare-Rass Michaud
Christina Mihai
Pramise Mikle
Ashley Miller
Brian Miller
Brittany Miller
Jan Miller

Kelli Miller
Kylie Miller
Derrick Milligan
Chris Milsaps
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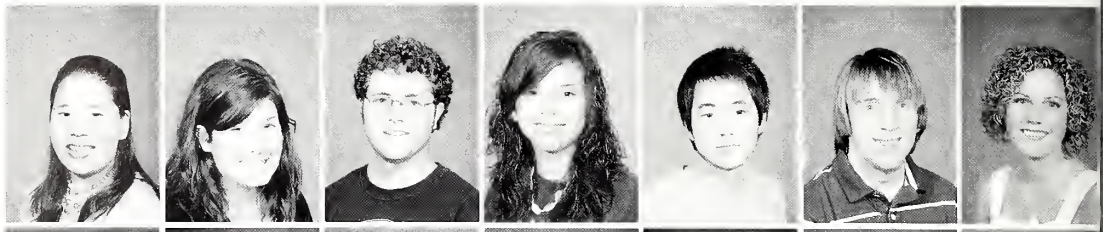


LACEY JUMPP

Born and raised in Montego-Bay and St. James, Jamaica, Lacey Jumpp had a passion for dancing for many years. "My Invasion experience was awesome. I loved every single bit of it." Invasion changed the way Jumpp knew how to dance, and she learned much more than she knew in the past.

"Prior to Invasion, I had been dancing for a few years, but it was never solely hip hop. It was always a huge array of different styles and genres. Invasion stands in the gap for a part of worshipping God that does not get attention and recognition because of the stereotypes that many people have towards hip hop and hip hop dancing. I now see it is all a form of worship to God, and it holds the same value as every other form of worship." Photo by Swarup Ronjit. Copy by Down Boyd.

Aimee Mank
Heidi Manrae
Cale Mantolua
Cesia Mantera
Janchai Mantrelerdrasme
Salem Maan
Mandy Maaneyan



Harrisan Maore
Allysan Maare
Amber Moare
Benjamin Maare
Brandan Maare
Hannah Maare
Leigh Maare



Mikala Maare
Estella Marales
David Moron
Paul Morgan
Sarah Margan
Brittany Marris
Jennifer Marris



"At the end of the day, I just want to be able to say that I was myself. I think that being different is one of the greatest things you can be. I want to be apart of something great something big."

Rob Entsminger

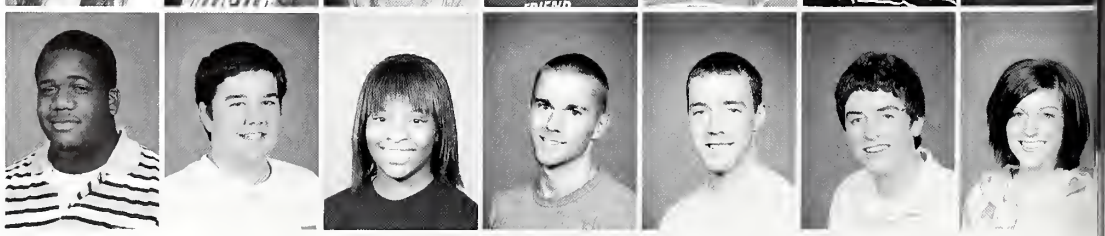
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Warren Morrison
Caley Mates
Andrea Mawery-Danahue
Christapher Mowry
Kacee Maxley
Kristin Mueller



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Tamara Murphy
Petru Nan
Tadd Nathan
Jashua Nelson
Mott Nelsan



Raphael Nelsan
Somuel Nelsan
Shoniqua Nercurius
Nate Nessle
Jael Neu
Jardan Nevins
Loura Newell





Tobitho Newell
Thoo Nguyen
Koffo Nimer
Phillip Nitz
John Nolond
Locey Noles
Sorolyn Norkus

Christopher Normon
Jeremy Norris
Ami Nunn
Obinno Nwokike
Motthew O'Reilly
Thomos O'Reilly
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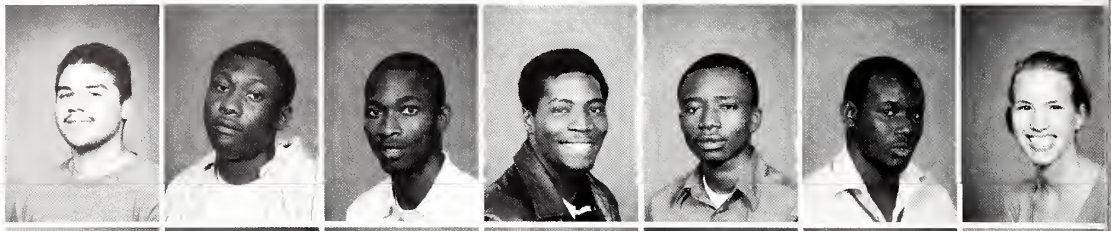
In passing conversation, one might never know that Lisa Gjerde's parents are first generation immigrants to America from Norway. In fact, Lisa often had the opportunity to travel there or three months in the summer nearly every year when she was ounger to visit family. This played no small part in her decision attend school there upon graduation. Instead of taking typical ollege courses, Lisa took activity classes making kayaks, hiking laciers and many others which brought her into a profound ncounter with God in nature. Lisa spoke of her relationship with od and her reliance on him "because he was all I had."

Returning to the states, Lisa said she picked Lee because he loved that the cross-cultural program was required. As a ansfer student, she became involved in the Transfer Student ouncil and works to help incoming students deal with the unique sues they face. Lisa was also involved in a leadership team ith the Baptist Collegiate Ministries, in addition to her work as sident chaplain for Tharp Hall. *Photo by Colleen Akers. Copy Jennifer Archer.*

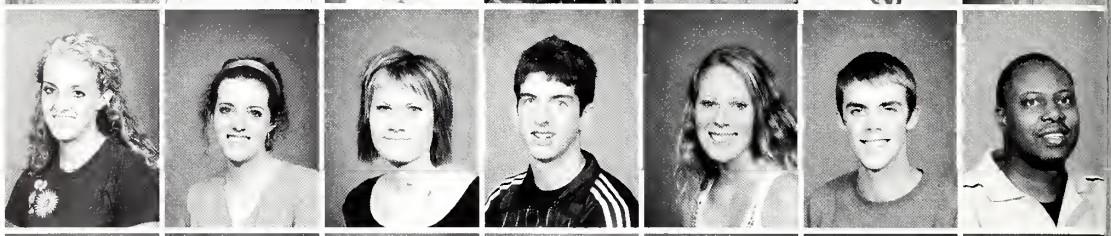


LISA GJERDE

William Olivera
Akinbode Olawaakere
Abayami Olukaya
Olawayin Oluzemi
Odeyenuma Omaarebu
Lawrence Onyeagusi
Maggie Opelt



Brooke Orist
Claire Orist
Lindsay Orred
David Ostendarf
Heidi Oubre
Aaran Owen
Bruce Owen



Jared Owen
Kristi Owens
Laura Owens
Tiffany Ownby
Caylyn Padgett
Callie Page
Jessica Page



"There is so much talk at Lee about getting caught up in the 'Lee Bubble.' But with a fantastic student body that is so diverse yet blends so well together, it's easy to see why."

Cody Raper

Luke Panchura
Mandy Panas
Jake Papazian
Katie Papi
Shankar Parajuli
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Alexandria Parker

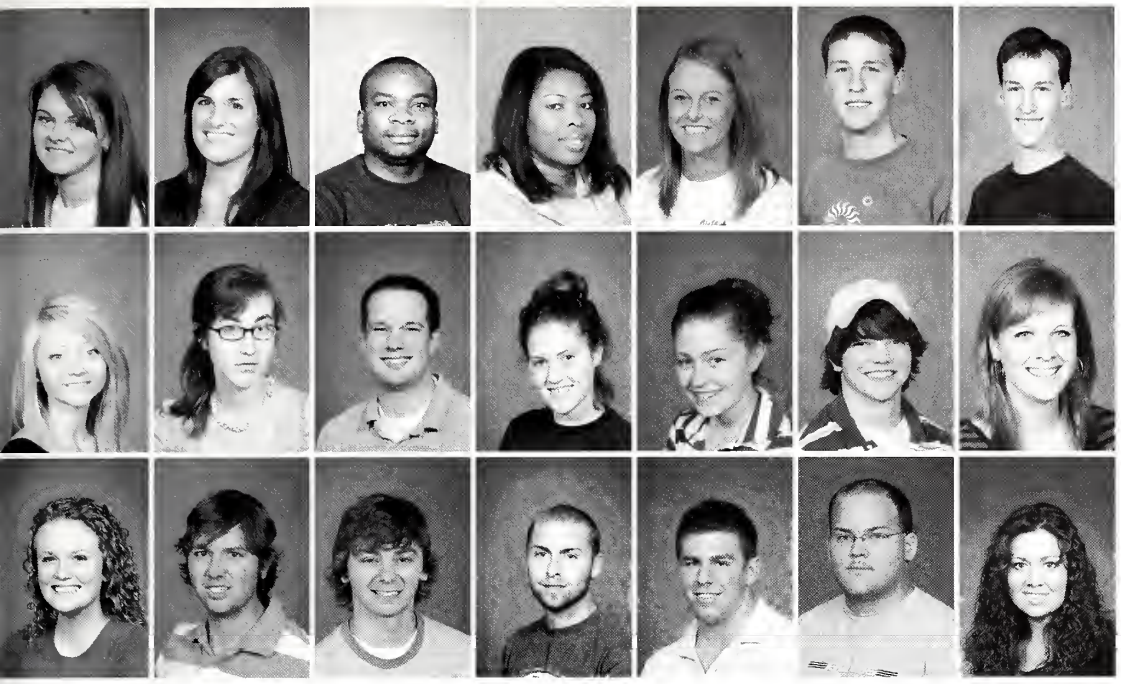


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Prajwal Paudyal
Tiffany Payne
Kyle Peacack
Matt Pearsan
Brandan Pediga



Dave Pembertan
Nick Pembertan
Jessi Penny
Stacey Perkins
Anna Perry
Jashua Petersan
Krista Pettersen





Boily Pettus
Ellie Pfohl
Gorry Phonor
Jocqueline Phonor
Stephonie Phillips
Aoron Pickens
Ryon Pickens

Kristen Pierce
Coitlin Pierson
John Pike
Megon Pinkhom
Rochoel Pinkhom
Will Pioth
Heother Poe

Christino Pointer
Bryon Pollock
Alon Ponce
Jeffrey Porter
Timothy Ports
Doniel Potter
Stephonie Potter



LYDIA THOMPSON

Lydia Thompson found enjoyment in the many activities she was involved in, participating in the Missions Alive Club, Cross-Over Feeding Ministries, the North Cleveland Church of God choir and working for Dr. Moodley.

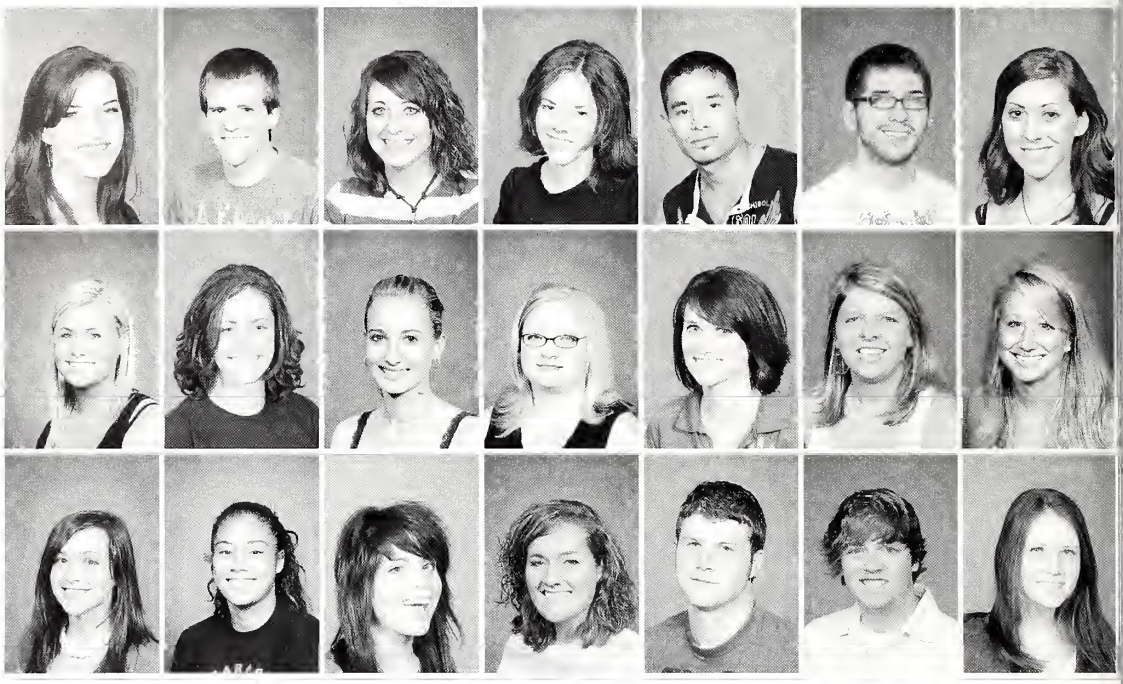
Her family members were missionaries in Recife, Brazil, and she spoke of her church as an extended family, where "everyone knows everybody."

As part of her family's work, Lydia often tutored children who were behind in school, teaching them a little Portuguese grammar and basic English courses, asking for only non-perishable food in return - for use in the orphanage her family ran. All of this might seem a bit much to adjust to; moving to another country and a new culture, but Lydia took it all in stride. She found the most important thing to her was to "love the Lord will all my heart and to lead and love the people around me." *Photo courtesy of Lydia Thompson. Copy by Jennifer Archer.*

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Jared Powers
Lindsey Powers
Rebecca Powers
Ramesh Prajapatj
Michael Prall
Pamela Praniuk

Ashleigh Prata
Brianna Preese
Ashley Prentice
Jennifer Prichard
Brittany Prince
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Chase Ramsey
Katie Ramsey



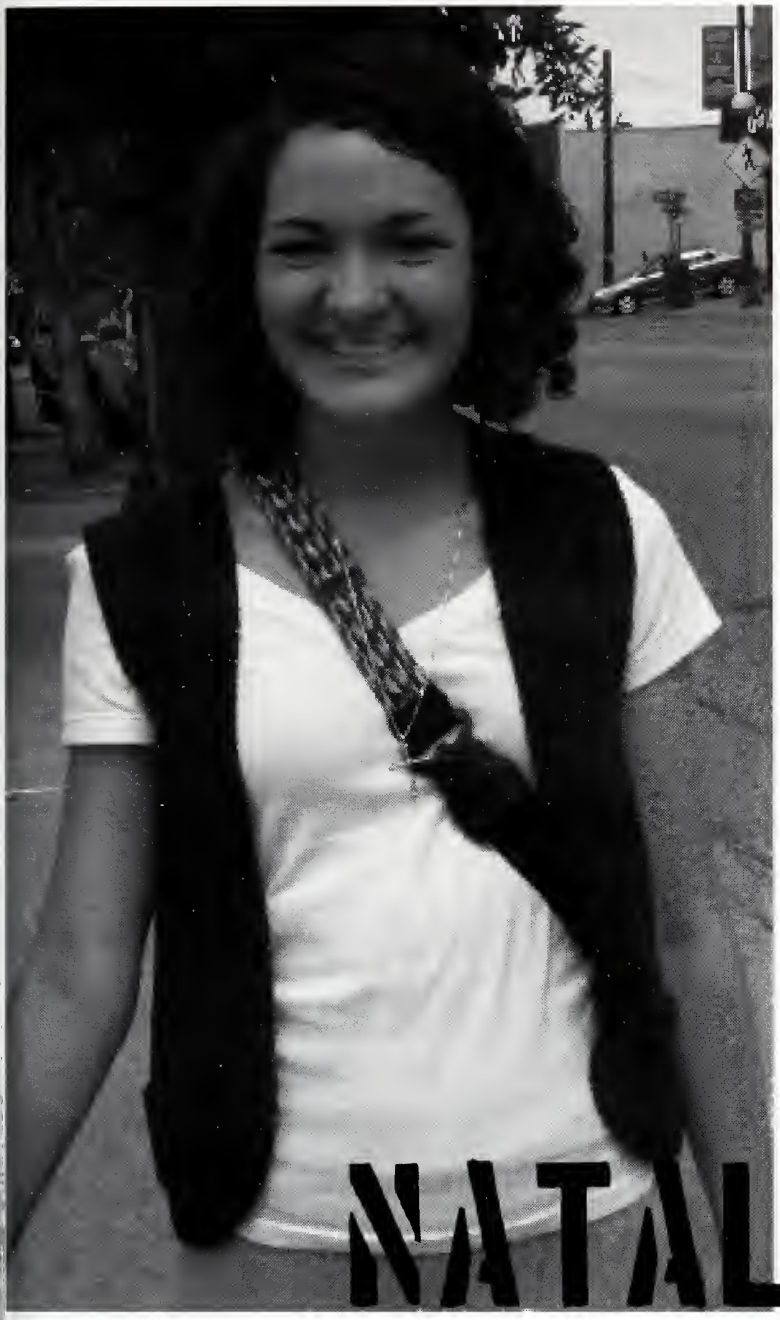


VICTORIA KNIGHT

Lee life is different for everyone because everyone is so different. Learning to deal with excessive homework, camping out in the library, campus saftey parking tickets, loud neighbors on my hall, trips to Perkin's and learning to love Sodexho food (well, maybe that's stretching it) and simply dealing with stress has become all apart of my college experience. Afterall, 'you don't know what you've got till its gone.' I know that once these crazy times are gone, I will realize what an important piece of me they became.

Being in college isn't easy. We question things we never have before, we discover more about who we are and we learn to deal with life on our own. And when adversity comes and you have people to laugh and cry with, you learn that sometimes is not the siutaion that makes you who you are, but it's how you deal with situations that shape you.

Aside from my other roommate, Sarah Jones, rooming with Natalie has been the most important, craziest and memorable time of my life. Our habit of blaring Dashboard at 8 a.m. as an alarm clock or our sudden urge to go prancing in high heels singing Crime Mob's "Stilettos-Pumps" at midnight, not to mention our tradition of Chik-Fil-A biscuits for birthday morning celebrations, our friendship has allowed both of us to learn to love each other at the place we are at in life. We are each other's biggest fan and learn to laugh when "life" hits... in stilettos." *Photo by Elizabeth Comptan.*



Natalie Richter, was a junior Early Childhood Education major. Spending her summers in Newnan, Ga., where she is originally from, she gets prepared for new exciting years with roommate Victoria Knight.

"The past three years at Lee have been amazing, especially because of the friends I have made. One of my best friends, Victoria Knight, and I have been roommates since freshman year. We met working with middle and high school girls through Starlite Ministries. Actually, we first laid eyes on each other in the gym, she liked the elliptical machine and so did I, everything just fell into place after that...

Looking back, our friendship has been one of the highlights of my experience at Lee. You can never replace the relationships and memories that you have with those you become close with. We have now added onto our friendship with the addition of another roommate and best friend, Sarah Jones. If you pour into another, they will pour into you." *Photo courtesy of Victoria Knight.*

NATALIE RICHTER



Sworup Ronjit
Cady Roper
Jessico Ratcliff
Heather Rawleigh
Brooke Ray
Jessico Ray
Whitney Royborn

Mondi Reod
Michoel Rectar
Nicholos Redmond
Dovid Reed
Aimee Reeves
Condro Reeves
Jessica Reeves

Sean Reiff
Tany Reinhaltz
Adom Renshow
Jocqueline Reuwer
Ashley Rhodes
Anno Rich
Andrew Richord

Tino Richordson
Mollie Richie
Amondo Ridley
Jessico Rigsby
Rebekoh Riley
Louren Roberts
Morcio Roberts

Ruth Roberts
Soroh Roberts
Reese Robertson
Leoh Robinson
Aoron Roby
Koysi Roby
Adom Rodrigues

Cheryl Rogers
Patrick Rooyakker
James Ross
Matthew Rossiter
Natalie Rowe
Andrew Rowland
Rebekah Rowland



MANDA STOCKTON

Mandy Stockton's life was completely uprooted and flipped upside down three years ago. Her and her husband's youth ministry had come to an unexpected end, she was expecting her first child Caleb; and, as a step of faith, moved seven hours away from he home in Mississippi to Cleveland. A door had slammed shut bu another opened. Her husband Brian returned to school to attai his B.A., and the former Miss Holmes Community College decide after a ten year break that it was God's timing for her to complet her education.

As she became involved with South Cleveland Church of God serving as a children's pastor and a new community, God revealed need. Mandy became aware of the emotional turmoil churning withi people and thus the need for professional guidance. God birthed new ambition within her - to become a mental health counselor an one day perhaps, own a private practice. She majored in Psycholog and three semesters later, she was getting ready to graduate in th 2009 Spring semester. Her plans for the following years include continuing on to graduate school for her Masters in Counselin and to eventually gain a Doctorate that integrated theology an counseling. *Photo by Colleen Akers. Copy by Anno Burris.*



Amaris Raye
Aidra Ruckman
Jill Ruschau
Timothy Rush
Ronnie Rusk
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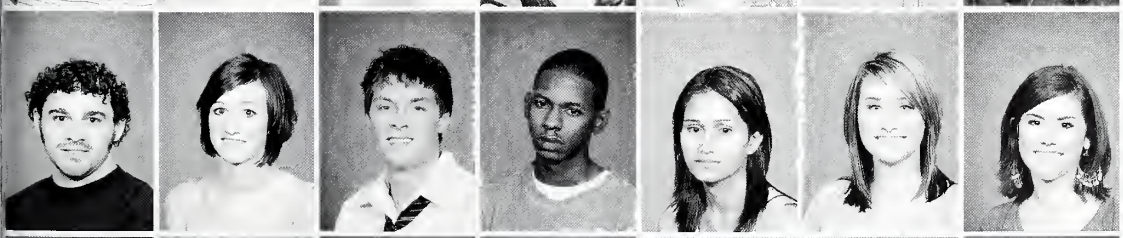


Sarah Schaber
Caitlin Schrider
Aaran Schrack
Matthew Schrader
Radderick Schray
Pete Schultz
Kristin Schuscha

"People told me how difficult the high school to college transition can be, and it was true for a fair amount of freshmen students. But I found that staying active on campus is a great pathway for a smooth transition."
Alexandra Powell



Natalie Scatt
Nathanael Scatt
Beverly Seabert
Melissa Seals
Heather Searcy
Dana Sears
Ashley Sechrist



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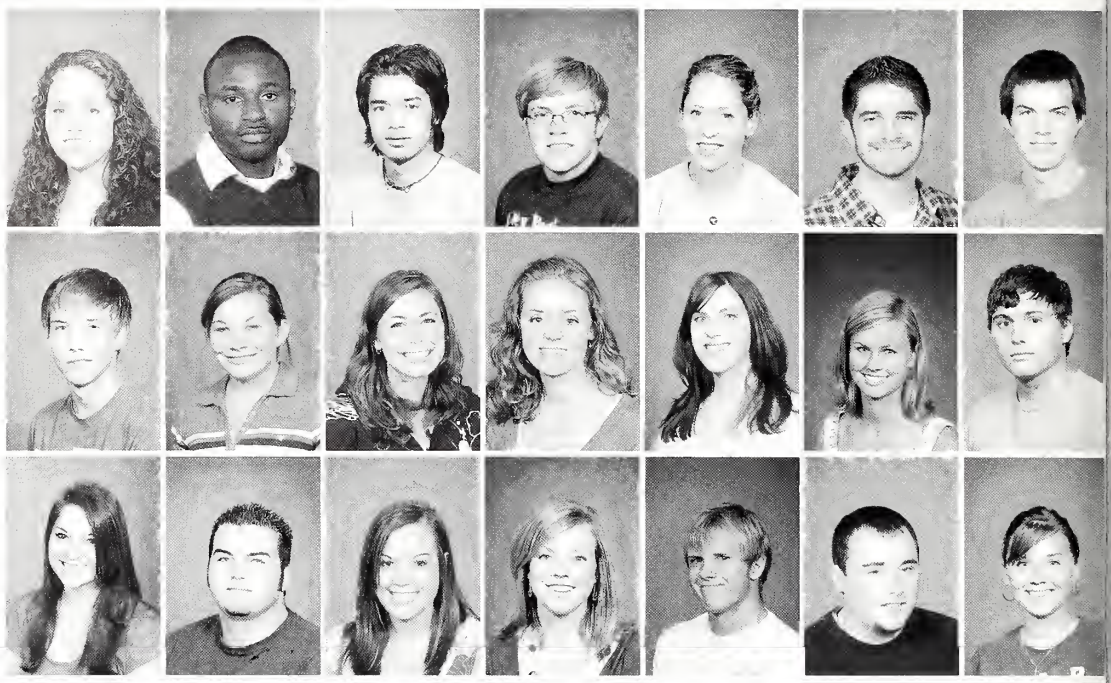


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Allisan Sherwaad
Laura Sherwaad

Chelsea Shirley
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Dilip Shreshta
Jacab Shrimplin
Braake Simecka
Michael Simmans
Nathaniel Simmons

P.J. Simmons
Kristen Simpsan
Jill Singerman
Kelsey Sinzinger
Amanda Sister
Rachael Skidmore
Jimmy Skabyak

Karissa Slaan
Nathan Slaan
Annie Sluka
Jessica Smalley
Stratton Smiley
Adam Smith
Andrea Smith





MICHAEL HARWELL

Characterizing himself in the words of Ron Burgundy Michael Harwell hailed from "San Diaahgo, Ca." Though h said his first choice and second choices for a career were nc available at Lee, namely a professional racecar driver and foo taster; his heart for God and his calling were quickly apparen when he noted that "ever since I can remember it's always bee my dream to be a pastor."

Not one to wait around for ministry to come to him, Michae became involved in an outreach program sponsored by Nortl Cleveland Church of God, which met at Lake Forest Middl School. He enjoyed the once-a-month Fil-Am Fellowship, targetin the Filipino community, one he strongly identified with. But hi ministry wasn't just confined to the church setting. In his work a Wal-Mart, Mike had many opportunities to share the love of Go in an environment distinctly different from the campus bubble meeting a cross section of Cleveland residents.

Though his ministry and work took up most of his time, h hasn't quite given up on his dreams of professional racing–o cars rather. He said, "One of my most beloved hobbies is m Old Blue." Old Blue was a 1964 Cadillac Coupe Deville, "full loaded, pumping out over four hundred horsepower." Thoug Michael was a freshman, he looked beyond graduation notin that he enjoyed "living in Cleveland now and having over tw hundred churches to decide from on Sunday morning." But hi heart "bleeds to see California someday have just as muc momentum as the Bible-belt." *Phata and copy by Jennifer Archer.*



Chaz Smith
Falan Smith
Jamie Smith
Jennifer Smith
Jessica Smith
Kelli Smith
Kimberly Smith

Lauren Smith
Matt Smith
Meagan Smith
Rachel Snaw
Andrew Snyder
Andrea Saares
Janie Sok

Cara Solava
Jorge Solis Lara
Josh Sorensen
Zach Southard
Raquel Spencer
Bethany Spillman
Garrett Spivey

"I know that God has put people in my life for a reason, and He has made me better for it and a better vessel for Him. Hold onto your true friendships and nurture them. Those are the memories made to help transform your life."
Josh Hughes



Erica Spradlin
Brittany Sprunt
Savannah Squires
Margan St.Jahn
Eric Stanley
April Stapler
Wesley Starr

Jessica Stead
Tyler Steele
David Sterns
Ashley Stevens
Kayla Stevens
Mike Stigile
Ryan Stigile

Janathan Stane
Lauren Strevel
Krystina Stricker
Matt Sturm
Tany Styles
Prabin Subedi
Trevar Suits



"My junior year was very memorable and challenging because I had to cling to Yahweh in unexpected circumstances. Entering 2007 as a second year RA was exciting because I moved from a close nit community in Nora Chambers to a more spacious apartment in Keeble with my three good friends.

During the first semester, a really close friend and my grandfather both became very ill which left me with a lot of uncertainty as to how I would handle the rest of the semester. With a lot of turmoil in my family back home in Virginia and responsibility I felt in caring for my friend here at Lee, I had to pray for peace and wisdom in the midst of chaos.

But God truly was with me every step of the way and sent wonderful people in my path to strengthen and encourage me while God urged me to pray for both situations. I will never forget the love and support my Lee friends offered me during those difficult months and the growth that happened in my relational and spiritual life during that time. As my awesome chaplain, Ashley Liston put it, "Above all things, believe that He is, and that when you can't, He already has."" *Photo courtesy of Summer Hawks.*

SUMMER HAWKS

Hannah Sullivan
James Sullivan
Stephanie Summers
Matt Summitt
Stephanie Suttle
Nathan Sutton
Russ Swaffard

Hanah Faye Swinsan
Cristina Syms
Ian Tallacksan
Shelby Tallent
Luke Targersan
Daniel Taylor
Haley Taylor

Jash Taylor
Jash Taylor
Karen Taylor
Kyle Taylor
.Campbell Teague
Melady Tedder
Rajat Thapa





Whitney Thiem
Andrio Thomos
Brondon Thomos
Briono Thomos
Eric Thomos
Eriko Thomos
Julie Thomos

Justin Thomos
Moegon Thomos
Alysso Thompson
Billie Thompson
Lindsey Thompson
Lydio Thompson
Richard Thompson

Camile Thon
Erico Thrift
Jessica Tilley
Roymond Tipei
Spencer Toland
Rebecca Tompkins
Tamara Tozzi



ANDREA WILHELM

"Lee has made me feel like part of a big family. My professors have been truly concerned with my success and are always there to prod me further.

Every way that I have been involved with the student body at Lee, from working on the Vindagua to dancing in Pride and Prejudice, has helped me grow as an individual and has allowed me to pursue what I truly enjoy.

As I study abroad for a semester in fall 2008, Lee will still hold onto my heart, and I will count down the days until my return. Thanks to Lee, I have the ability to not only plan my future but to fulfill my God-given dreams." *Photo courtesy of Andrea Wilhelm.*

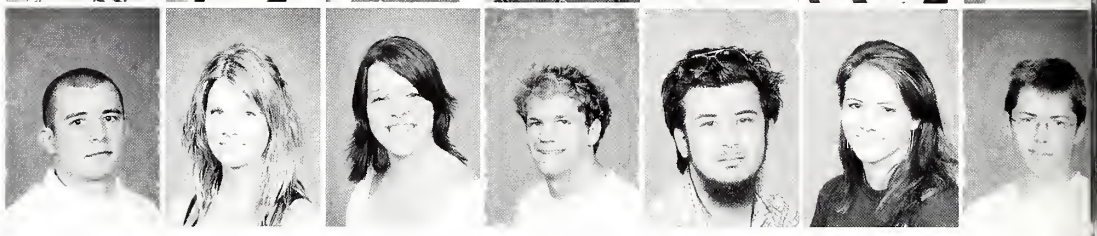
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Jacab Twamey
Lauren Tyler
Stephen Udeagbala
Kimberly Uffard



Maria Uriaste
Sarah Ussery
Jacqueline Utterback
Jaey Vadala
Punit Vaidya
Jessica VanderVeen
David VanDevander II



"Having to completely uproot and start over
for the second time in two years, I assumed
the transition would be more arduous than
anything. Talk about being glad to be wrong.
It didn't take very long for the best of Lee to
make me feel as if I belonged."

Cameron Fry

Derrick Vanmeter
Heather VanMetre
Riley Vasquez
Amanda Vaughn
Sarah Vecchia
Scott Vest
Keith Vieraw



Brittany Viscante
Adam Wagner
Daniel Wagner
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Justin Wallace
Jessica Waller
Paige Walt
Tessa Walt
Min-Fang Wang





Julianna Ward
Sabbath Ward
Theresa Ward
Jashua Warlick
Cannan Warnack
Dylan Warnack
Heather Warren

Chris Warters
Allisan Wash
Erin Wasserfall
Emily Waters
Rachel Waters
Aaran Watkins
Kevin Watkins

Elizabeth Watsan
Katelyne Watsan
Alex Waycaster
Mary Kate Wayland
Gabriel Wayne
Michelle Wayne
Debarah Weatherby

SONJA PALMER

"I'm quite a mess, even on my good days. I have an odd sense of humor, and it's much easier for me to laugh at life than cry. I am very much an English major some days; but other days, I'm lucky if I can spell correctly. I'm somewhat of a whiner, and I have Peter-Panitis.

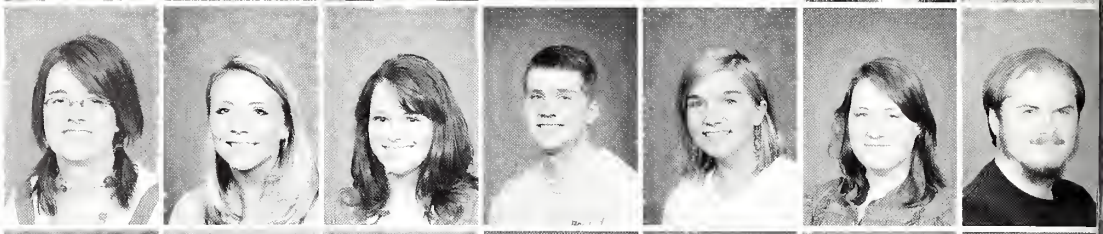
Most days I'm pretty happy with life, and I have an almost tragic addiction to chocolate and coffee. I'm sometimes a book/music/movie snob; and at other times, the cheesiest of any of those genres can make me happy simply because of their inherent laughable matter. I want to love Jesus; but most days, I'm just not quite there yet. I want to love others, but I keep getting in my own way. Overall, I'm a bedraggled saint and a beloved sinner.

Life at Lee has brought some changes. Although that sounds terribly cliché, I don't believe you can take part of a four year educational experience, surround yourself with different people every day and not change. I came into Lee as a Drama major, and now I am an English major (in fact my housemates make fun of how much of an "English major" I am). My ideas, my favorite books, my writing has all been influenced by this. However, if you were to ask me, I would probably mention it's humorous as well. How can you not laugh at some aspects of Lee? It's just too perfect of an opportunity." *Photo and copy courtesy of Sonja Palmer.*

Caitlin Weaver
Jerry Weaver
Lindsay Weaver
Allisan Webb
Ben Webb
Brittany Webb
Christa Webb



Leandra Webb
Shauna Webb
Erin Weeks
Jaseph Weeks
Carrie Weems
Shea Weikert
Daniel Welker



Kimberley Wellbarn
Paris Wells
Amy West
Brandy Westbrook
Matt Whartan
Tamesha Wheatley
Brittney Whitaker





Dr. Steve Swindle noted that "everyone knov Stacy Cohl." Looking at her involvement in a wide varie of activities across campus, it's not hard to see why th might be said of this Intercultural Studies major. But beyor that, her quirky sense of humor and thought provokir responses in classes were some of the reasons why student who only had her in one class still recalled wi humor her fantastical descriptions of a heavily fortifie castle populated by fierce fire-breathing dragons in dai exchanges with another classmate.

This imagination was visible in the productio she has acted in but also in her creative direction of th Kairos media committee's production of "Ask a Genius Through her classes, Stacy has been able to learn abo and experience many different cultures and religions

Traveling to Toledo, Ohio with her Comparati Religions class, she had the unique opportunity to spe with a Jewish rabbi, spend time in a Hindu temple ar to stay with a Muslim family, a contact she continued maintain. She said, "I really felt like I was connected all of these different people through something I ca explain, and I learned to look for those connections fi and worry about differences afterward. And all of this Toledo!" *Phata caurtesy af Stacy Cahl. Capy by Jennifer Archer.*



Bobby White
Christapher White
Jardan White
Marcus White
Sharnita White
Zach White
Andrew Whitehead



Paul Whitehead
Kristine Whitman
Andrea Wilhelm
Kyle Wilkersan
Andrea Williams
Christi Williams
Christian Williams



Courtney Williams
Daniel Williams
Kayla Williams
Melanie Williams
Savana Williams
Terez Williams
Christen Willis

"I've always been more of an eclectic blend than most people would care to admit in public. I've got posters of the X-Men hanging in my bedroom, where I spend my nights watching CNN and following the campaign trail."

Ben Jones



Laura Willis
John Wills
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Kaylan Wilsan
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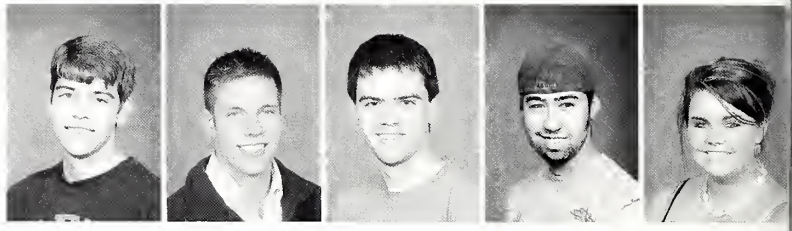


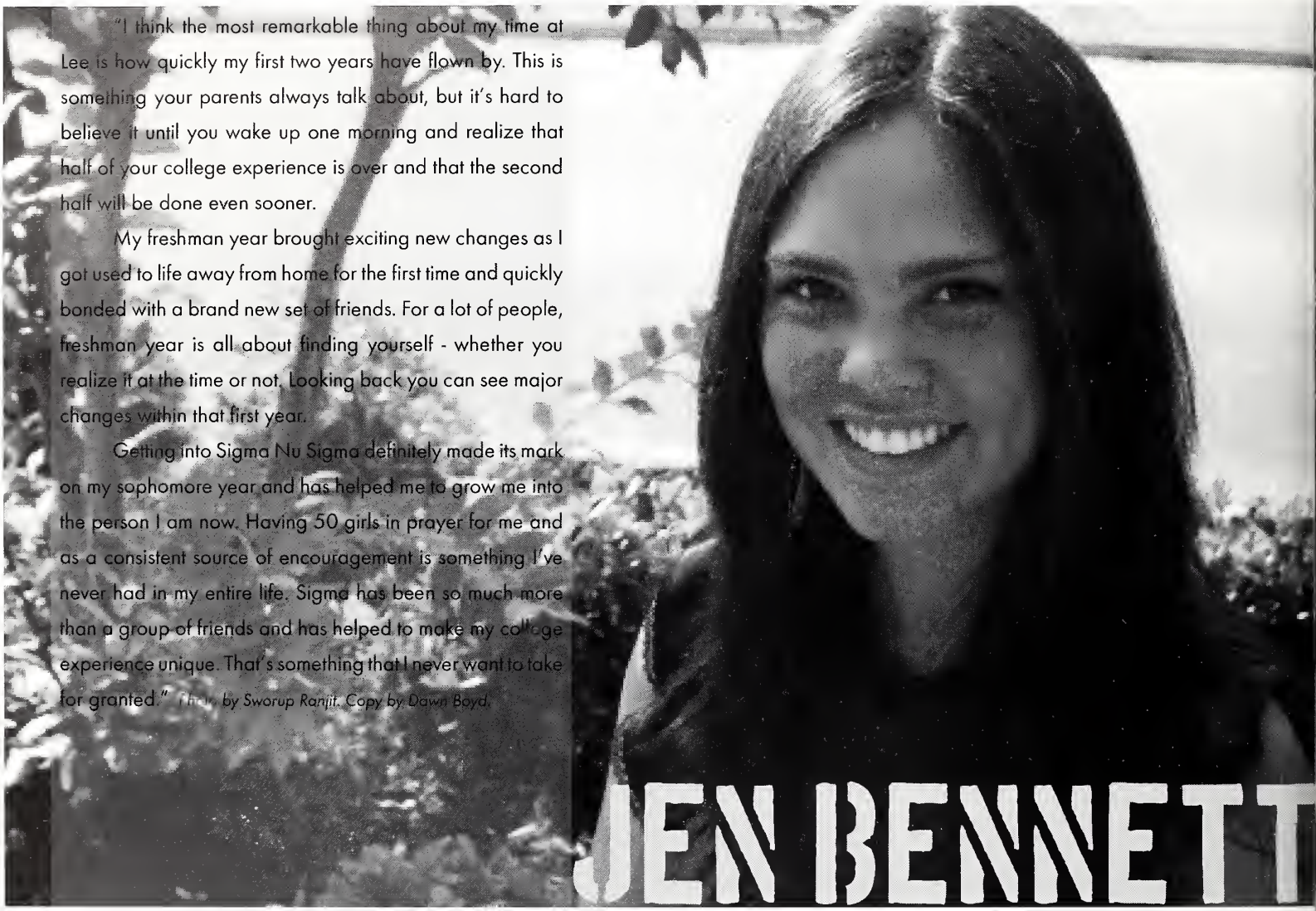
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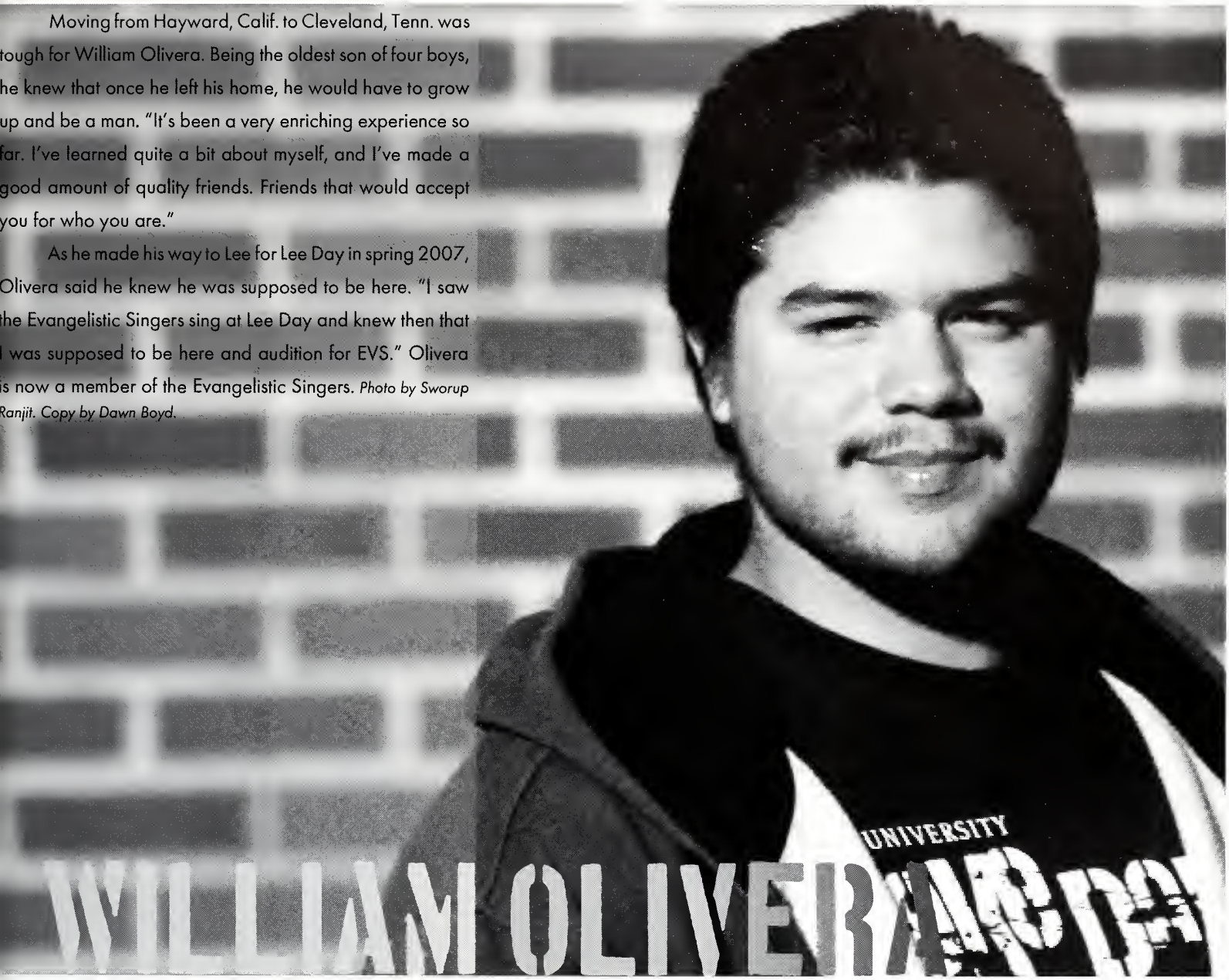


JEN BENNETT

"I think the most remarkable thing about my time at Lee is how quickly my first two years have flown by. This is something your parents always talk about, but it's hard to believe it until you wake up one morning and realize that half of your college experience is over and that the second half will be done even sooner.

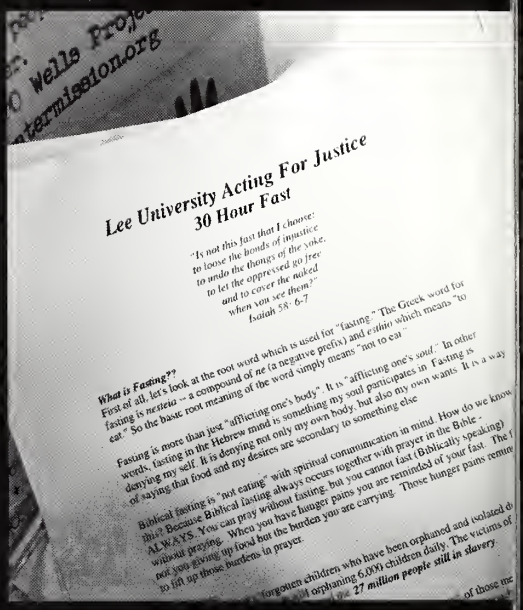
My freshman year brought exciting new changes as I got used to life away from home for the first time and quickly bonded with a brand new set of friends. For a lot of people, freshman year is all about finding yourself - whether you realize it at the time or not. Looking back you can see major changes within that first year.

Getting into Sigma Nu Sigma definitely made its mark on my sophomore year and has helped me to grow me into the person I am now. Having 50 girls in prayer for me and as a consistent source of encouragement is something I've never had in my entire life. Sigma has been so much more than a group of friends and has helped to make my college experience unique. That's something that I never want to take for granted." *Photo by Swarup Ranjit. Copy by Dawn Boyd.*

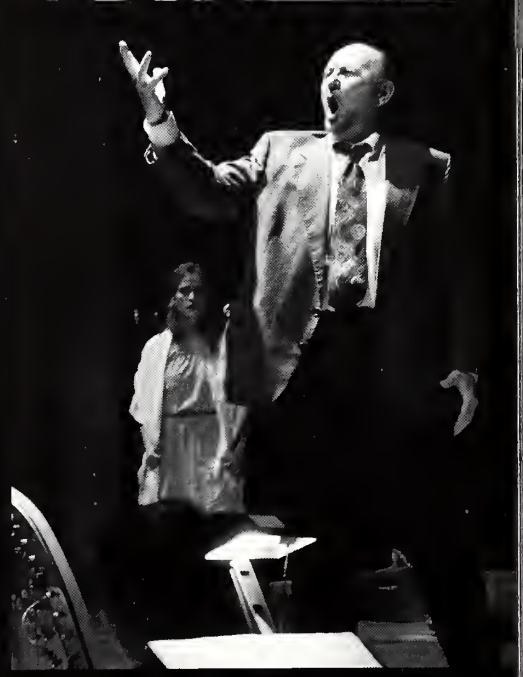


Moving from Hayward, Calif. to Cleveland, Tenn. was tough for William Olivera. Being the oldest son of four boys, he knew that once he left his home, he would have to grow up and be a man. "It's been a very enriching experience so far. I've learned quite a bit about myself, and I've made a good amount of quality friends. Friends that would accept you for who you are."

As he made his way to Lee for Lee Day in spring 2007, Olivera said he knew he was supposed to be here. "I saw the Evangelistic Singers sing at Lee Day and knew then that I was supposed to be here and audition for EVS." Olivera is now a member of the Evangelistic Singers. *Photo by Sworup Ranjit. Copy by Dawn Boyd.*


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30 Hour Fast
"Is not this fast that I choose:
to loose the bonds of injustice
to undo the thongs of the yoke,
to let the oppressed go free
and to cover the naked
when you see them?"
Isaiah 58: 6-7
What is Fasting??
First of all, let's look at the root word which is used for "fasting." The Greek word for
fasting is nesteia -- a compound of ne (a negative prefix) and esthio which means "to
eat." So the basic root meaning of the word simply means "not to eat."
Fasting is more than just "afflicting one's body." It is "afflicting one's soul." In other
words, fasting in the Hebrew mind is something my soul participates in. Fasting is
denying my self. It is denying not only my own body, but also my own wants. It is a way
of saying that food and my desires are secondary to something else.
Biblical fasting is "not eating" with spiritual communication in mind. How do we know
this? Because Biblical fasting always occurs together with prayer in the Bible -
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when out of class

Lee University's unique social structure allows for a wide variety of clubs and organizations to take part in. These clubs range from academic, cultural or ethnic diversity, spiritual, Greek, choirs and ensembles and social service clubs. These varied clubs are the backbone of the Lee social structure, revealing the school's active personality and colorful parade of student values and interests.

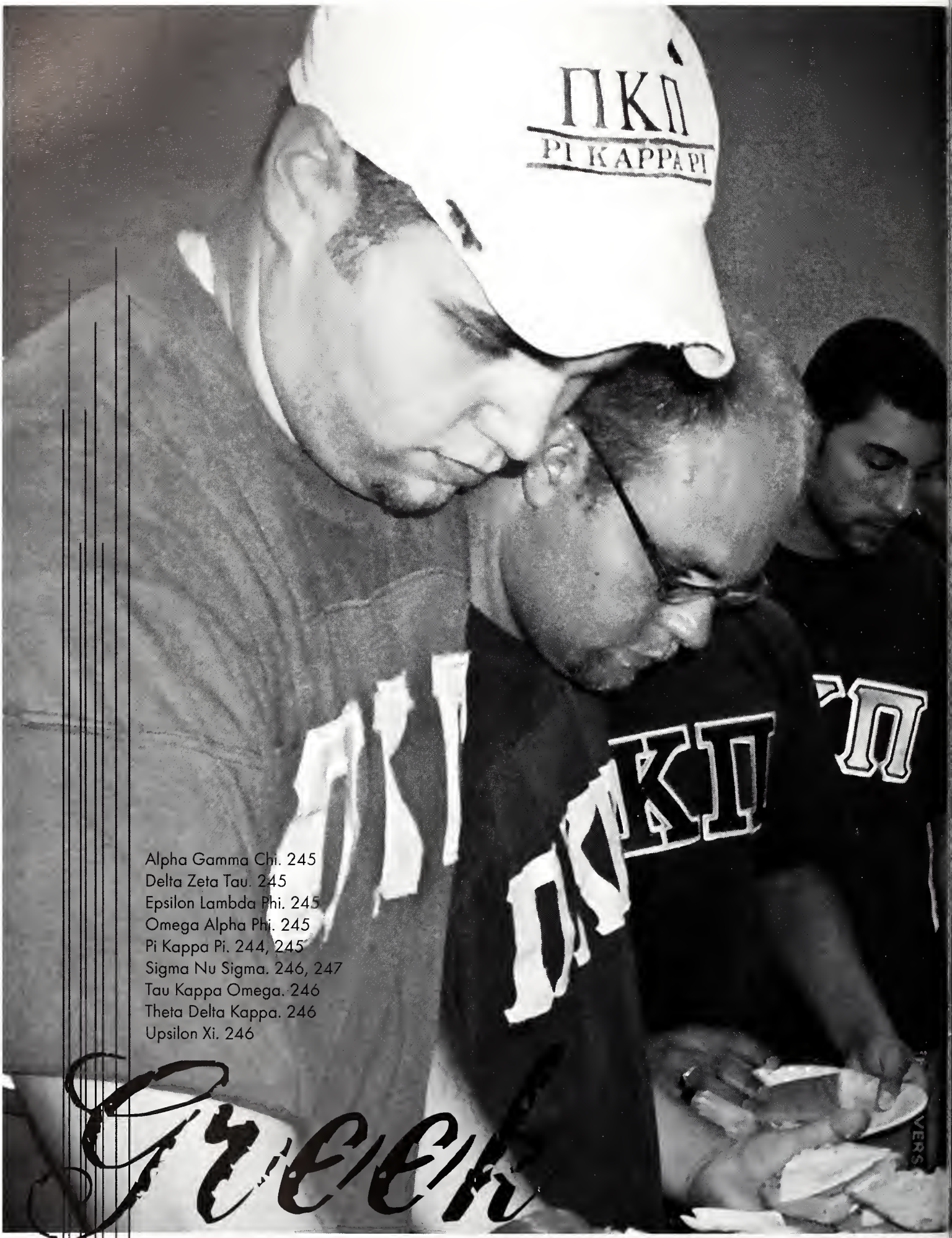
One of the more obvious club types is the school's unique Greek clubs. These social clubs help showcase the school's diverse student representation, each club having a unique personality of their own. Each club also puts on a wide range of activities each semester, varying from riverboat cruises, winter dances and Lee's very own Sadie Hawkins Dance.

Lee also offers a wide variety of musical groups, including the widely traveled Campus Choir, the beautiful Lee Singers and the soul-filled Chorale, as well as instrument based musical groups like Lee University's Orchestra. These musical clubs add a wide range of sound to the Lee University campus.

Various academic clubs exists as well, including Alpha Phi and various nationally recognized major-related clubs. These clubs help showcase various students' abilities, while also helping network them into places where their future careers are headed.

These are just a few of the types of clubs Lee University has to offer, and new and exciting experiences are always just a club away. These clubs all are a part of the school's history; some of them are over 50 years old while others are starting up probably as you're reading this.

So take some time and investigate the many clubs Lee University has to offer. There are dozens of clubs to choose from, and one of them is bound to showcase your own unique take on this ever-moving world. *Copy by Michael Gillum. Layout by Elizabeth Compton.*



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it's all greek

Lee University's Greek community began in 1962 with a social service group known as Upsilon XI. The organization was ormed within the walls of what is now Medlin Hall as a unique ministry opportunity. Several other clubs soon followed; and by 1966, Lee College had three more letter clubs on campus. Today there are five male Greek clubs and four female clubs. These organizations were created to provide the community and campus with service and social activities but individual members define the key to their success as the unique relationships formed within their organizations. "The Greek community offers not only events for each other, but events for the student body," said Damaris Martinez , chaplain of Delta Zeta Tau.

Each semester, newly elected members participate in a weekend initiation process known as induction or retreat. The members of the clubs believe that this weekend is a bonding experience that develops lifelong relationships. Travis Robinson, President of Theta Delta Kappa said, "It is a known fact that people that go through similar things and overcome hardships stick closer together. We have a common ground in the Greek community and we have experienced a lot together and it has brought us closer together." Continued on pg. 239..



Pi Kappa Pi



Sigma Nu Sigma



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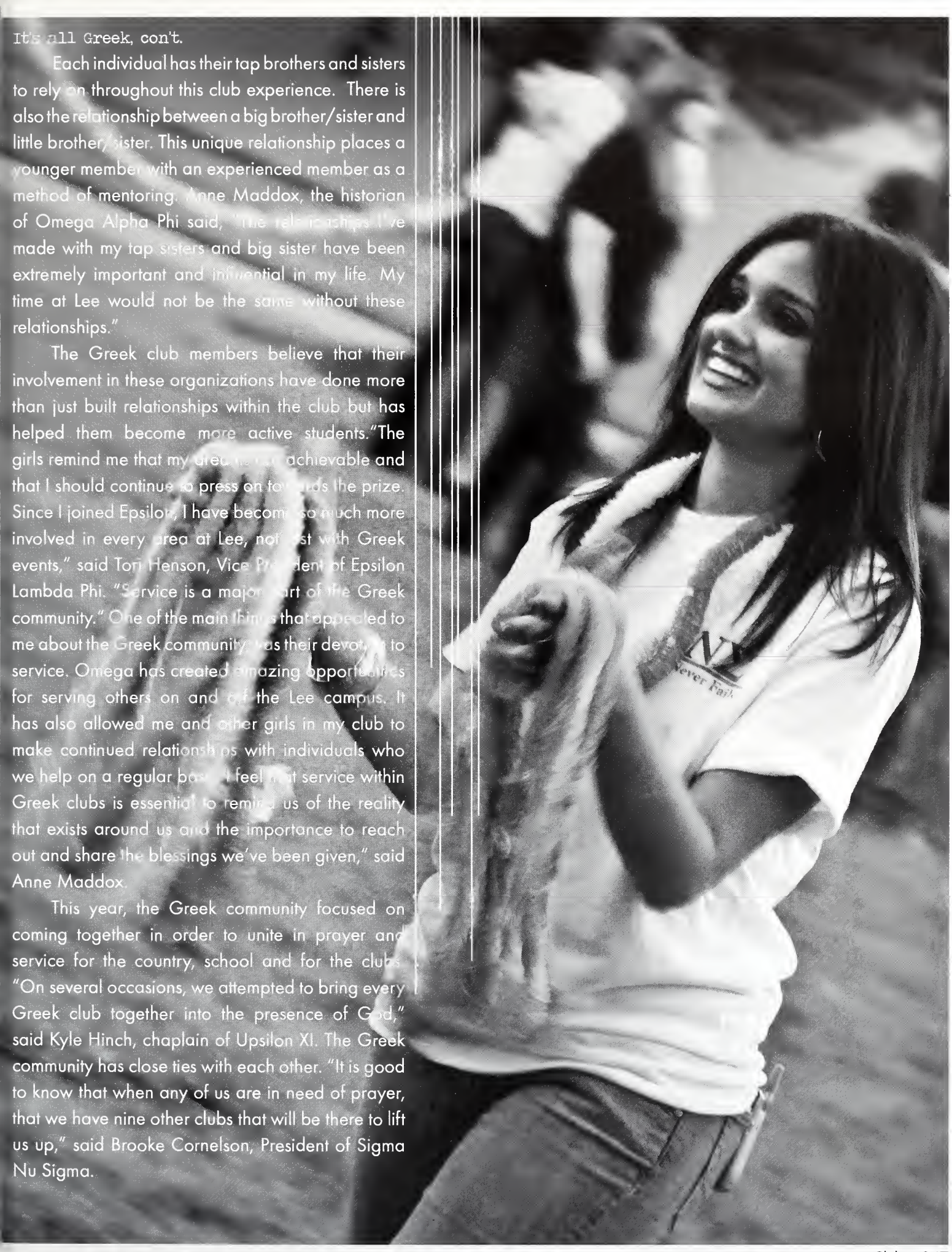
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Each individual has their tap brothers and sisters to rely on throughout this club experience. There is also the relationship between a big brother/sister and little brother/sister. This unique relationship places a younger member with an experienced member as a method of mentoring. Anne Maddox, the historian of Omega Alpha Phi said, "The relationships I've made with my tap sisters and big sister have been extremely important and influential in my life. My time at Lee would not be the same without these relationships."

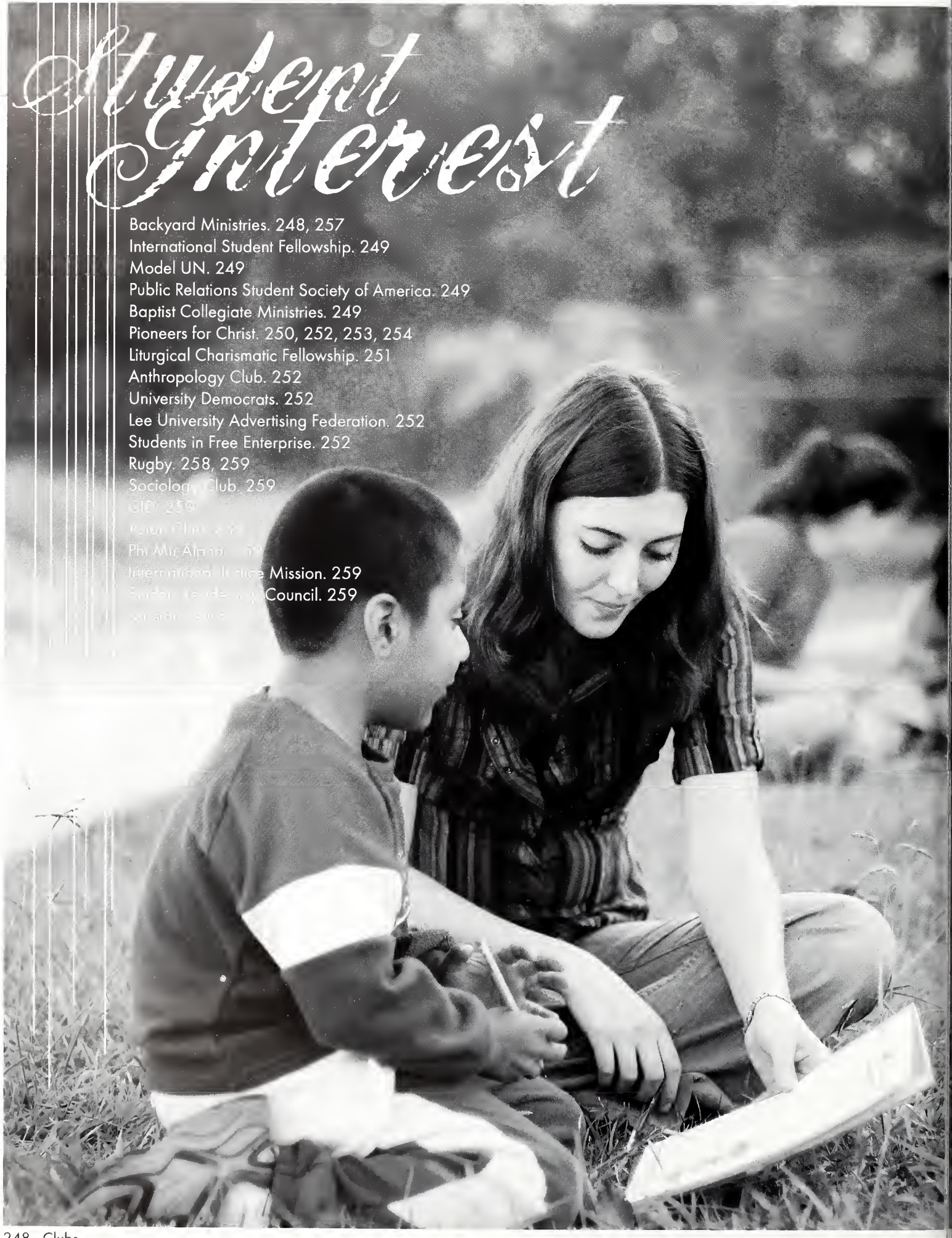
The Greek club members believe that their involvement in these organizations have done more than just built relationships within the club but has helped them become more active students."The girls remind me that my dreams are achievable and that I should continue to press on towards the prize. Since I joined Epsilon, I have become so much more involved in every area at Lee, not just with Greek events," said Tori Henson, Vice President of Epsilon Lambda Phi. "Service is a major part of the Greek community." One of the main things that appealed to me about the Greek community was their devotion to service. Omega has created amazing opportunities for serving others on and off the Lee campus. It has also allowed me and other girls in my club to make continued relationships with individuals who we help on a regular basis. I feel that service within Greek clubs is essential to remind us of the reality that exists around us and the importance to reach out and share the blessings we've been given," said Anne Maddox.

This year, the Greek community focused on coming together in order to unite in prayer and service for the country, school and for the clubs. "On several occasions, we attempted to bring every Greek club together into the presence of God," said Kyle Hinch, chaplain of Upsilon XI. The Greek community has close ties with each other. "It is good to know that when any of us are in need of prayer, that we have nine other clubs that will be there to lift us up," said Brooke Cornelson, President of Sigma Nu Sigma.



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Baptist Callegiate Ministries



transforming the broken

Founded in 1948, Pioneers for Christ celebrated 60 years of ministry not only on this campus but also in Cleveland, Tenn. and m[illegible] states across the United States. "Real, beneficial, healthy, genuine, healing, personal, development, community and love. These are th[illegible]ds that come to mind when I think of Pioneers for Christ and the way it has affected not only my life but the lives of others I have been in[illegible]," said Tyler Garvey member and worship leader for PFC. Within this group they had dance, worship, drama and prayer teams that a[illegible]ent could get involved in. These groups worked together during the times when Pioneers for Christ serves in the community. They min[illegible] to the people who surround our c[illegible]us in Cleveland. "PFC has helped me to use the gifts and talents that God has given me in a s[illegible] way. It has become a huge [illegible] of my college career and I have changed as a result of this club in my life," said Garvey.

Pioneers for Christ had two main service projects in which all members were enc[illegible]ged to attend. During fall and spring break they spe[illegible] their [illegible]ff to go on specific service minded trips as an entire group. Over fall b[illegible] PFC had the opportunity to go to Franklin, NC to minister to that commu[illegible]. PFC had helped to minister to a church in Franklin while [illegible]g their dance, drama, prayer and wo[illegible] teams. While out in the community they ha[illegible] a food pantry, thrift store and a crisis [illegible]nter for battered and abused women. "This trip was a big undertaking," Workman said, "but it was [illegible]going to get to help the [illegible] in that community."

"Pioneers for Christ's mission [illegible]ent is; th[illegible]Christ transforming broken people into healthy community by promoting, exhibiting and teaching a way of self-less love and service [illegible]something that our club strives for," Workman says. "I am so proud to be a part of this club, i is one of the most rewarding and life changing things I have had the opportunity to do." Copy by Landon Nance. Photo by Jeff Wheeler.



"to be set apart"

Liturgical Charismatic Fellowship was for students who desired learning and growing spiritually and for those with a liturgical and sacramental background. The students and faculty participated in communion, prayer and short devotions led by Mitch Baker. The group started six years ago when Mitch Baker and his wife, Luwana, noticed the growing percentage of different denominations on campus and saw a "need for a group for Liturgical Charismatic," said Mitch Baker.

The LCF, through service, scripture and Spirit, blended Pentecostal openness with liturgical worship. To be 'sacramental' is to be set apart and claimed by Christ. "LFC provides a break during the week and allows people to get refocused on Christ," said Baker. Lydia Thompson, a student participant said, "I came because I needed to slow down and reflect on what to live on. I needed to get away from my busy schedule and remember what Christ has done for me."

Those who attended services, and were not familiar with the Charismatic background, were taught why people raise their hands and are led through questions that they might have about the fellowship.

During Holy Week, those involved in LCF are encouraged to take part in Daily Lenten Meditations and fasting. "During Lent season, one tries to bring himself back to Christ and re-focus on Him," said Baker, "We encourage students to fast something most important to them so they can believe that they can overcome it."

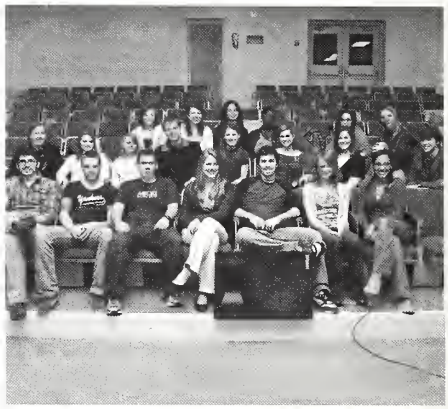
Liturgical Charismatic Fellowship looks forward to each new year. "Each semester brings different members depending on what God is doing in their lives," said Baker. *Copy by Brittany Cornelson. Photo by Jonchi Montrelordrosme. Loyout by Tess Boll.*



Anthropology Club



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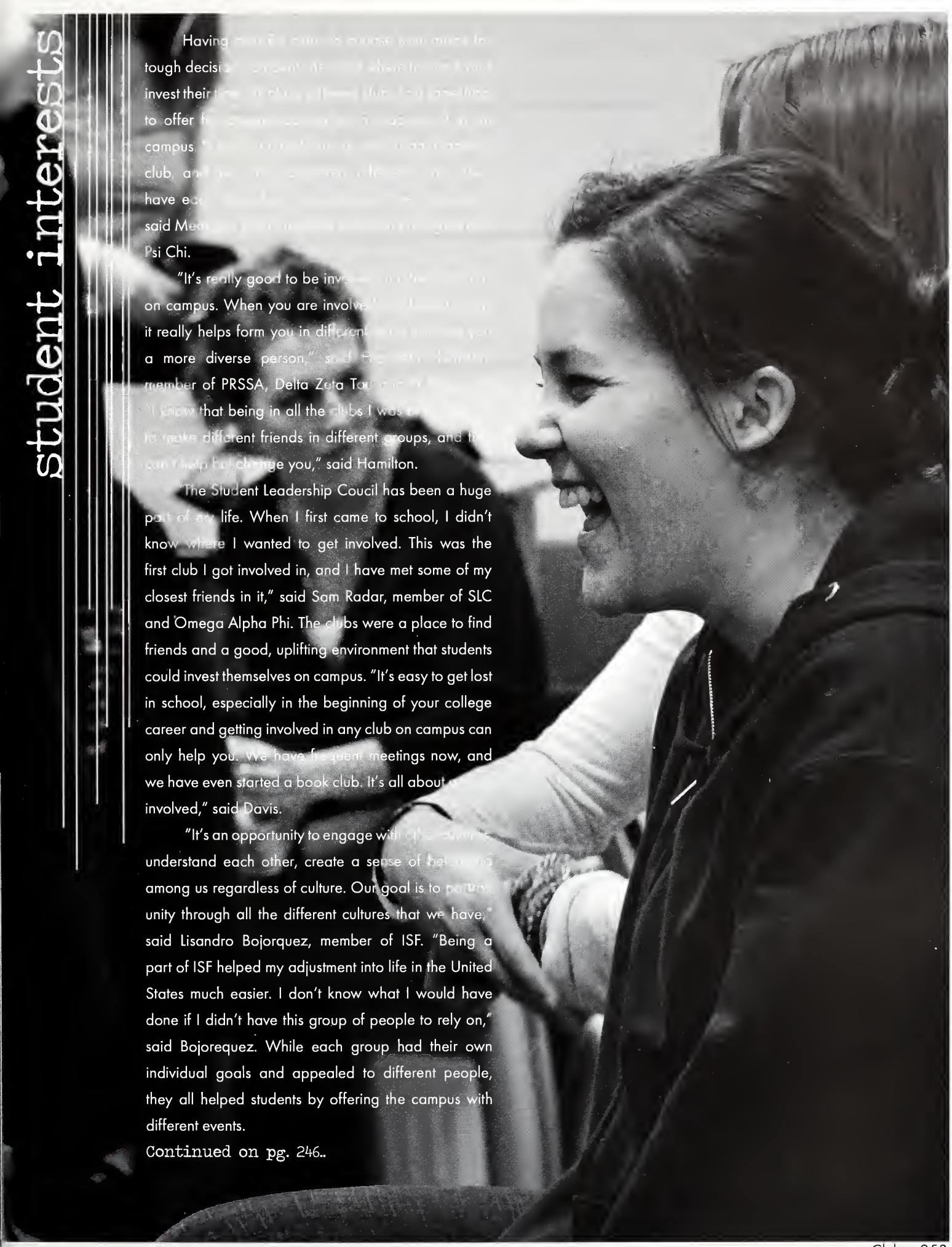
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Students in Free Enterprise



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"It's really good to be inv[illegible] on campus. When you are involv[illegible] it really helps form you in diff[illegible] a more diverse person," [illegible] member of PRSSA, Delta Zeta To[illegible] "I know that being in all the clubs I was [illegible] to make different friends in different groups, and t[illegible] can't help but change you," said Hamilton.

"The Student Leadership Coucil has been a huge part of my life. When I first came to school, I didn't know where I wanted to get involved. This was the first club I got involved in, and I have met some of my closest friends in it," said Sam Radar, member of SLC and Omega Alpha Phi. The clubs were a place to find friends and a good, uplifting environment that students could invest themselves on campus. "It's easy to get lost in school, especially in the beginning of your college career and getting involved in any club on campus can only help you. We have frequent meetings now, and we have even started a book club. It's all about [illegible] involved," said Davis.

"It's an opportunity to engage with [illegible] understand each other, create a sense of [illegible] among us regardless of culture. Our goal is to [illegible] unity through all the different cultures that we have," said Lisandro Bojorquez, member of ISF. "Being a part of ISF helped my adjustment into life in the United States much easier. I don't know what I would have done if I didn't have this group of people to rely on," said Bojorequez. While each group had their own individual goals and appealed to different people, they all helped students by offering the campus with different events.

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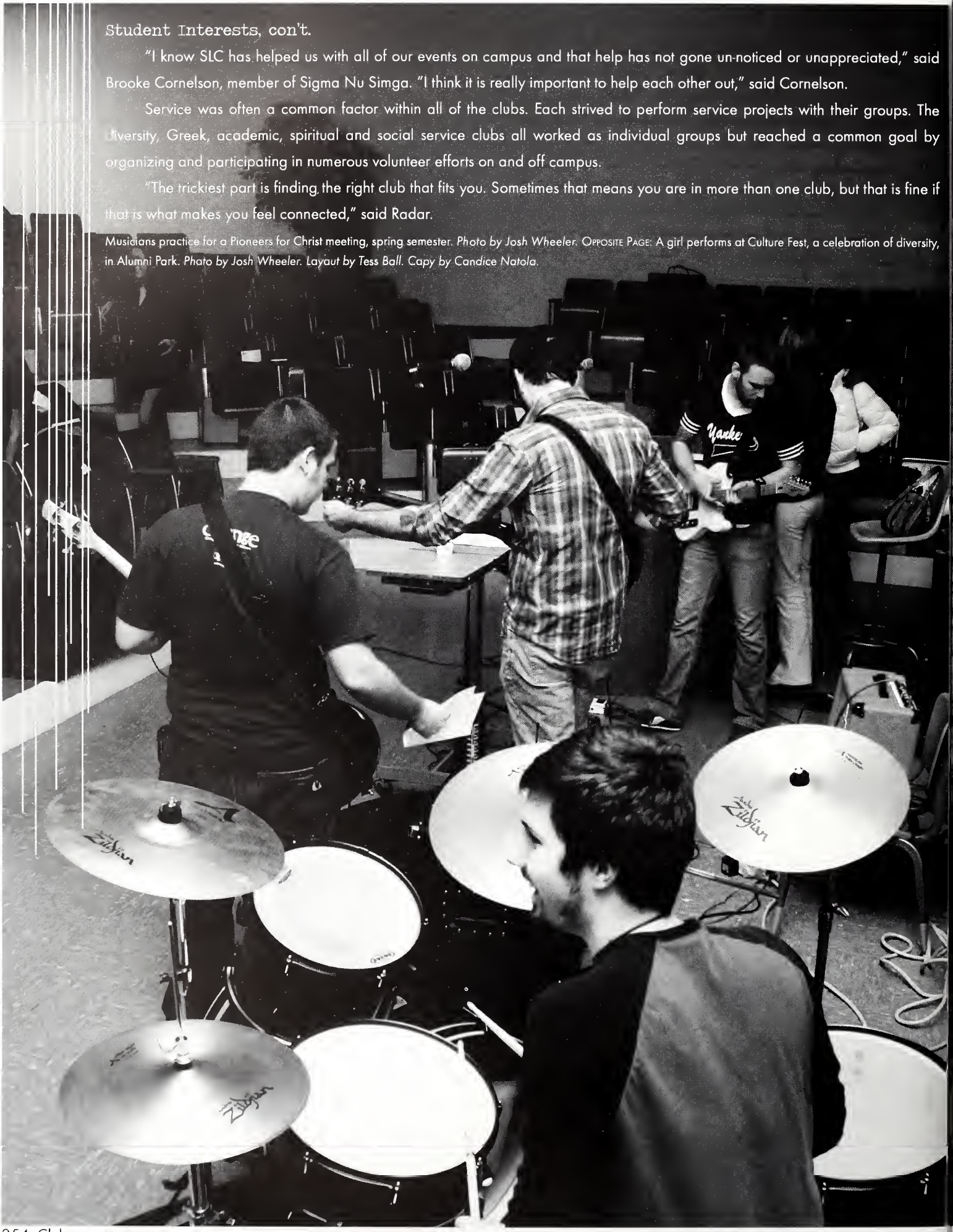
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"I know SLC has helped us with all of our events on campus and that help has not gone un-noticed or unappreciated," said Brooke Cornelson, member of Sigma Nu Simga. "I think it is really important to help each other out," said Cornelson.

Service was often a common factor within all of the clubs. Each strived to perform service projects with their groups. The diversity, Greek, academic, spiritual and social service clubs all worked as individual groups but reached a common goal by organizing and participating in numerous volunteer efforts on and off campus.

"The trickiest part is finding the right club that fits you. Sometimes that means you are in more than one club, but that is fine if that is what makes you feel connected," said Radar.

Musicians practice for a Pioneers for Christ meeting, spring semester. *Photo by Josh Wheeler.* OPPOSITE PAGE: A girl performs at Culture Fest, a celebration of diversity, in Alumni Park. *Photo by Josh Wheeler. Layaut by Tess Ball. Copy by Candice Natola.*



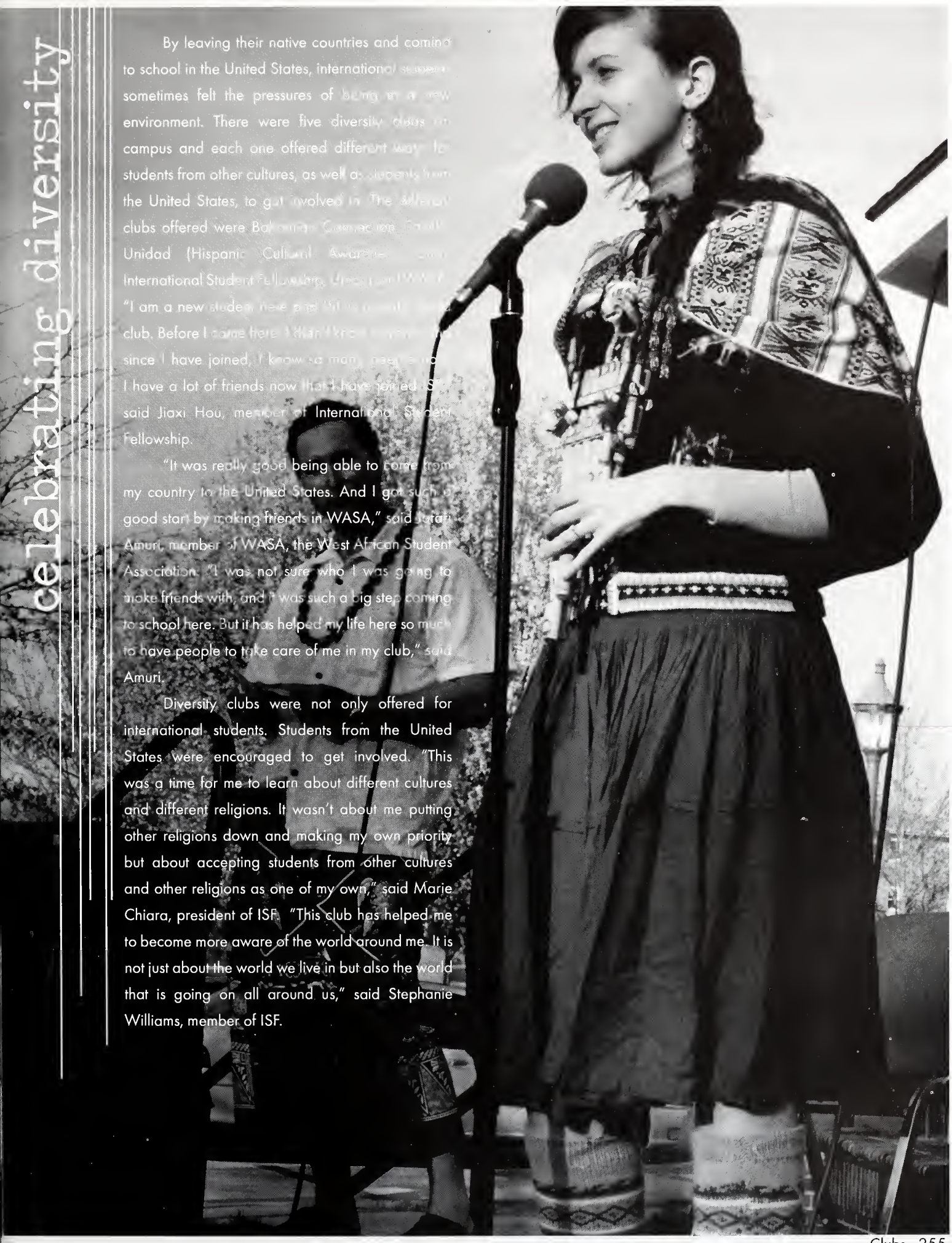
celebrating diversity

By leaving their native countries and coming to school in the United States, international students sometimes felt the pressures of being in a new environment. There were five diversity clubs on campus and each one offered different ways for students from other cultures, as well as students from the United States, to get involved. The different clubs offered were Bahamian Connection, Unidad (Hispanic Cultural Awareness), International Student Fellowship, Unity and WASA.

"I am a new student here and this is my first club. Before I came here I didn't know anyone, but since I have joined, I know so many people and I have a lot of friends now that I have joined," said Jiaxi Hou, member of International Student Fellowship.

"It was really good being able to come from my country to the United States. And I got such a good start by making friends in WASA," said Joan Amuri, member of WASA, the West African Student Association. "I was not sure who I was going to make friends with, and it was such a big step coming to school here. But it has helped my life here so much to have people to take care of me in my club," said Amuri.

Diversity clubs were not only offered for international students. Students from the United States were encouraged to get involved. "This was a time for me to learn about different cultures and different religions. It wasn't about me putting other religions down and making my own priority but about accepting students from other cultures and other religions as one of my own," said Marie Chiara, president of ISF. "This club has helped me to become more aware of the world around me. It is not just about the world we live in but also the world that is going on all around us," said Stephanie Williams, member of ISF.





election year

University Democrats and College Republicans were for students with an interested politics. These clubs were a place where individuals were welcamed to come and express their own opinions about our society. "I think it is a gaad thing ta have different ideas out there because then you can make up your own mind. Differing apinions help you build your own arguments far what yau believe in," said member af University Democrats Sloane Tait.

College Republicans and University Democrats cambined their political interests with an event on Super Tuesday. "We really want ta show peaple that it's not about being a Democrat or a Republican, it is abaut being palitically aware and figuring aut what you believe far yourself," said Tait. Other events were held by these organizatians in respanse ta the issues of this year's electian. "We warked with Facus the Natian and we are planning to hold a farum on the oxymoron af a Christian Democrat," said President af University Demacrats Melissa Franklin.

"I wanted to join because I was looking for somewhere where open discussian af palitics cauld take place," said Vice President of University Demacrats Amber Mear. Some students joined because af their field of interest. "As a palitical science major, I find it extremely important ta remain active in current politics," said Campaign Coordinator af College Republicans Cameron Pruette.

The twa clubs were very active this semester with the election year. Debates were held between College Republicans and University Demacrats. The clubs kept up with the electian campaign each week in their meetings. "Staying infarmed an current issues and meeting political leaders is very beneficial to assist me in determining my stances on the issues and meeting decisian-makers," said Pruette. "Being in an environment like this forces yau to own your apinions and truly be able ta suppart what you believe," said Franklin.

Photo by Sworup Ronjit. Copy by Brittony Cornelson. OPPOSITE PAGE: A student reods to o child ot Bockyord Ministries. *Photo by Sworup Ranjit. Loyout by Tess Boll. Copy by Brittony Cornelson.*

in our own backyard

Backyard Ministry was a place where students reached out to children that came from families that were torn apart and couldn't support themselves. The children were brought to J-Mack Circle and First Baptist, where they received help with their homework. The students also interacted with the kids all year though different events, such as fall festivals, Christmas parties, Lee basketball and soccer games.

"It's such a joy to play with the kids, to see them get to know their tutors, and to learn from the Bible lesson," said leader Iris Clement.

"The kids do not come from very good home lives, and they don't have many people to love on them, so this is our chance to do that and hopefully spread the love of Christ though it," said Brittany McShane.

Backyard Ministry hoped that their time invested in the children would always be with them. "I think it has a lasting impact on the kids because they have some older kids coming every week to invest in them, hang out with them, and to love on them. Sometimes that is all you need is someone who genuinely cares about you," said Whitney Everett.



"We band of brothers"

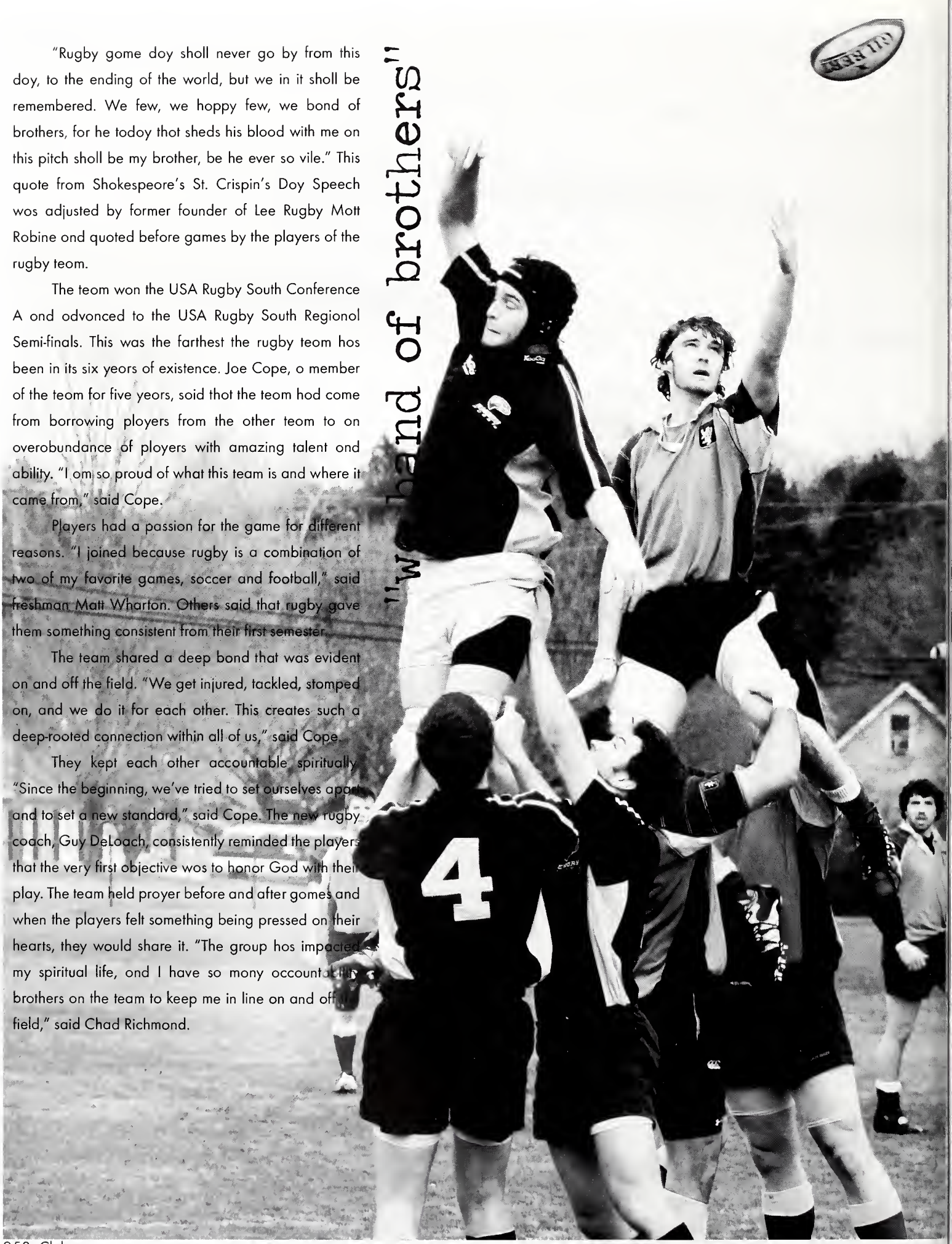
"Rugby gome doy sholl never go by from this doy, to the ending of the world, but we in it sholl be remembered. We few, we hoppy few, we bond of brothers, for he todoy thot sheds his blood with me on this pitch sholl be my brother, be he ever so vile." This quote from Shokespeore's St. Crispin's Doy Speech wos adjusted by former founder of Lee Rugby Mott Robine ond quoted before games by the players of the rugby teom.

The teom won the USA Rugby South Conference A ond odvonced to the USA Rugby South Regionol Semi-finals. This was the farthest the rugby teom hos been in its six yeors of existence. Joe Cope, o member of the teom for five yeors, soid thot the teom hod come from borrowing ployers from the other teom to on overobundance of ployers with amazing talent ond ability. "I om so proud of what this team is and where it came from," said Cope.

Players had a passion for the game for different reasons. "I joined because rugby is a combination of two of my favorite games, soccer and football," said freshman Matt Wharton. Others said that rugby gave them something consistent from their first semester.

The team shared a deep bond that was evident on and off the field. "We get injured, tackled, stomped on, and we do it for each other. This creates such a deep-rooted connection within all of us," said Cope.

They kept each other accountable spiritually. "Since the beginning, we've tried to set ourselves apart and to set a new standard," said Cope. The new rugby coach, Guy DeLoach, consistently reminded the players that the very first objective wos to honor God with their play. The team held proyer before and after gomes and when the players felt something being pressed on their hearts, they would share it. "The group hos impacted my spiritual life, ond I have so mony occount[illegible] brothers on the team to keep me in line on and off the field," said Chad Richmond.





Rugby



Sociology Club

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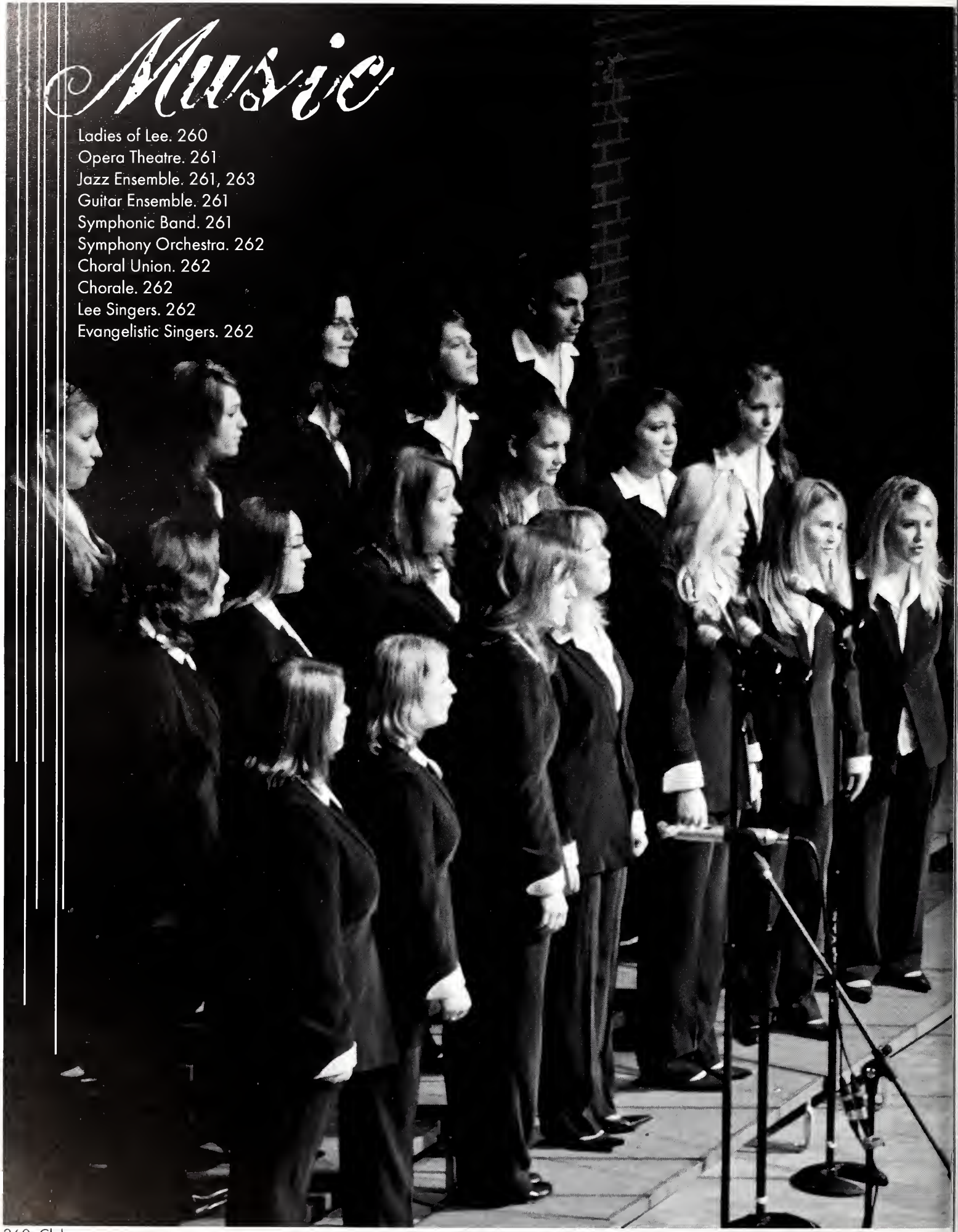


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life in a choir

"The taur bus has become my home," said Rab Enstminger, member of Campus Chair. "We ga ta so many different places that it seems like if yaur not rehearsing your on your way to sing at a church."

Lee had six majar chairs, all with different histories, different saunds and different techniques, all sharing the cammon gaal of ministering thraugh music.

The chairs did different tours throughout the year. Each did a fall and spring tour: and sametimes, chairs had summer taurs as well. "We are like a family," said Jermaine Purifary, a member of Vaices of Lee. "We spend sa much time together and we see each other through so much that you start to genuinely care abaut the people your in chair with. Yau care about them the way you care abaut your brathers ar sisters."

Many peaple in chairs had explained the clase relatianships with the people in chair, and thase relationships were aften equated ta a family setting. As students were accepted inta a chair they were even assigned a big brother or big sister.

There were alsa apportunities ta serve in the choirs by becaming an afficer. The chair's each had leadership teams including a president, vice-president, Chaplain, etc. Officers were vated an ta make the taugh decisians that needed to make a choir run smaothly. "Having an appartunity ta serve a graup af peaple the way yau have in a choir is one that helps build leadership skills and really stretches yau ta da mare far a ministry yau already feel strongly abaut" said Brian Keltan, a member and president af Campus Chair.

Derran Echals, a member af The Lee University Singers, said that much wark is put into building relatianships and grawing spiritually. "When those twa things happen yau are bound to graw as an individual and that grawth is undeniable."



Symphony Orchestro



Chorol Union



Chorole



Lee Singers



Evongelistic Singers

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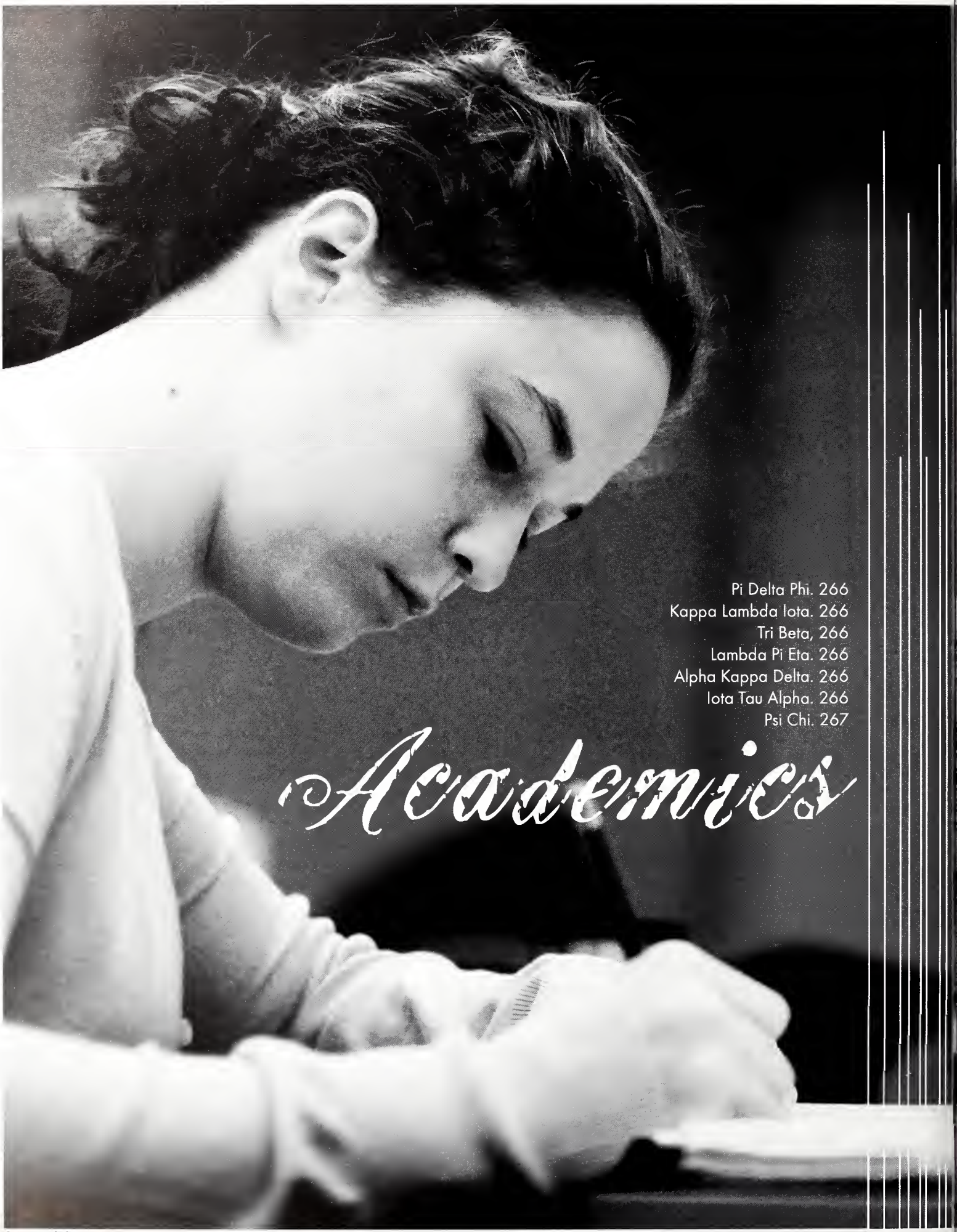
jazz

From the electric jazz guitar to the keyboard, Jazz held the traditional jazz sound. Members of the ensemble were busy with many different events they were involved with such as homecoming and campus concerts. For black history month, jazz ensemble dedicated a night of jazz to the African American jazz composers. Jazz Ensemble also traveled off campus to Bradley Central High, Ocoee Middle and Lake Forest School to play for the students and did a workshop with their high school jazz students. The biggest event that the Jazz Ensemble participated in was JazzFest in Louisville, Ky. The ensemble performed in front of judges and listened to feedback from them. They received the honor of outstanding performance. Two members of the team received a scholarship for the jazz camp held in the summer.

Jazz ensemble musicians recognized the leadership of Professor Alan Wyatt. "The best part of being in Jazz Ensemble is the ability to work with Mr. Alan Wyatt; he really knows his jazz. While he does have high expectations for us, he's also very down to earth and makes the whole experience fun," said member Dave Moran. "He just provides a great learning environment."

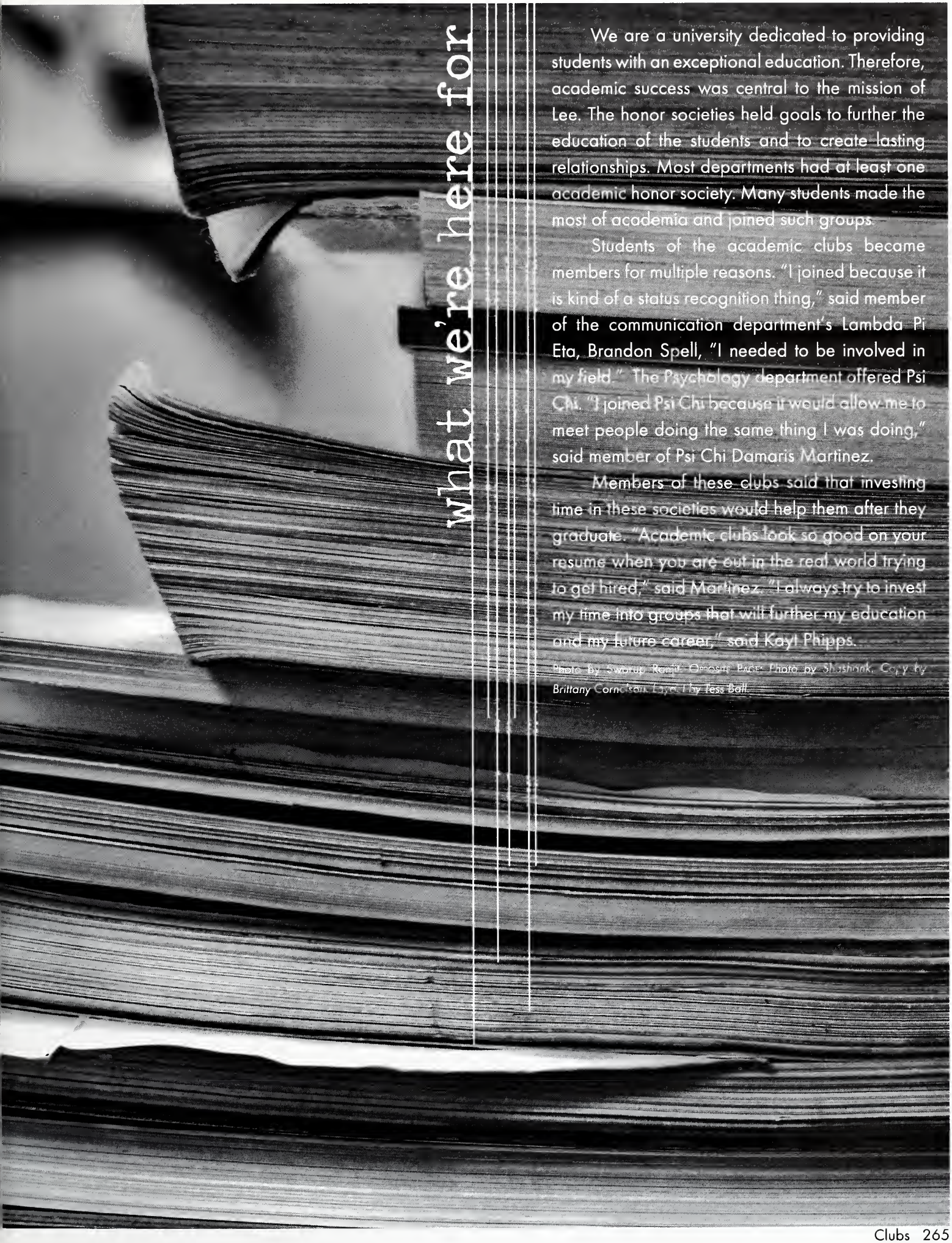
Group members established relationships within the group along with lifelong lessons in this specialized group of music. "Jazz has helped me become close friends with people who have the same passion for jazz music that I have garnered over the past few years," said Moran. "The experience in the ensemble has prepared me for my musical career and helped me gain friendships with other jazz students," said senior trombone player Jeff Steve.





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Academics



what we're here for

We are a university dedicated to providing students with an exceptional education. Therefore, academic success was central to the mission of Lee. The honor societies held goals to further the education of the students and to create lasting relationships. Most departments had at least one academic honor society. Many students made the most of academia and joined such groups.

Students of the academic clubs became members for multiple reasons. "I joined because it is kind of a status recognition thing," said member of the communication department's Lambda Pi Eta, Brandon Spell, "I needed to be involved in my field." The Psychology department offered Psi Chi. "I joined Psi Chi because it would allow me to meet people doing the same thing I was doing," said member of Psi Chi Damaris Martinez.

Members of these clubs said that investing time in these societies would help them after they graduate. "Academic clubs look so good on your resume when you are out in the real world trying to get hired," said Martinez. "I always try to invest my time into groups that will further my education and my future career," said Kayl Phipps.

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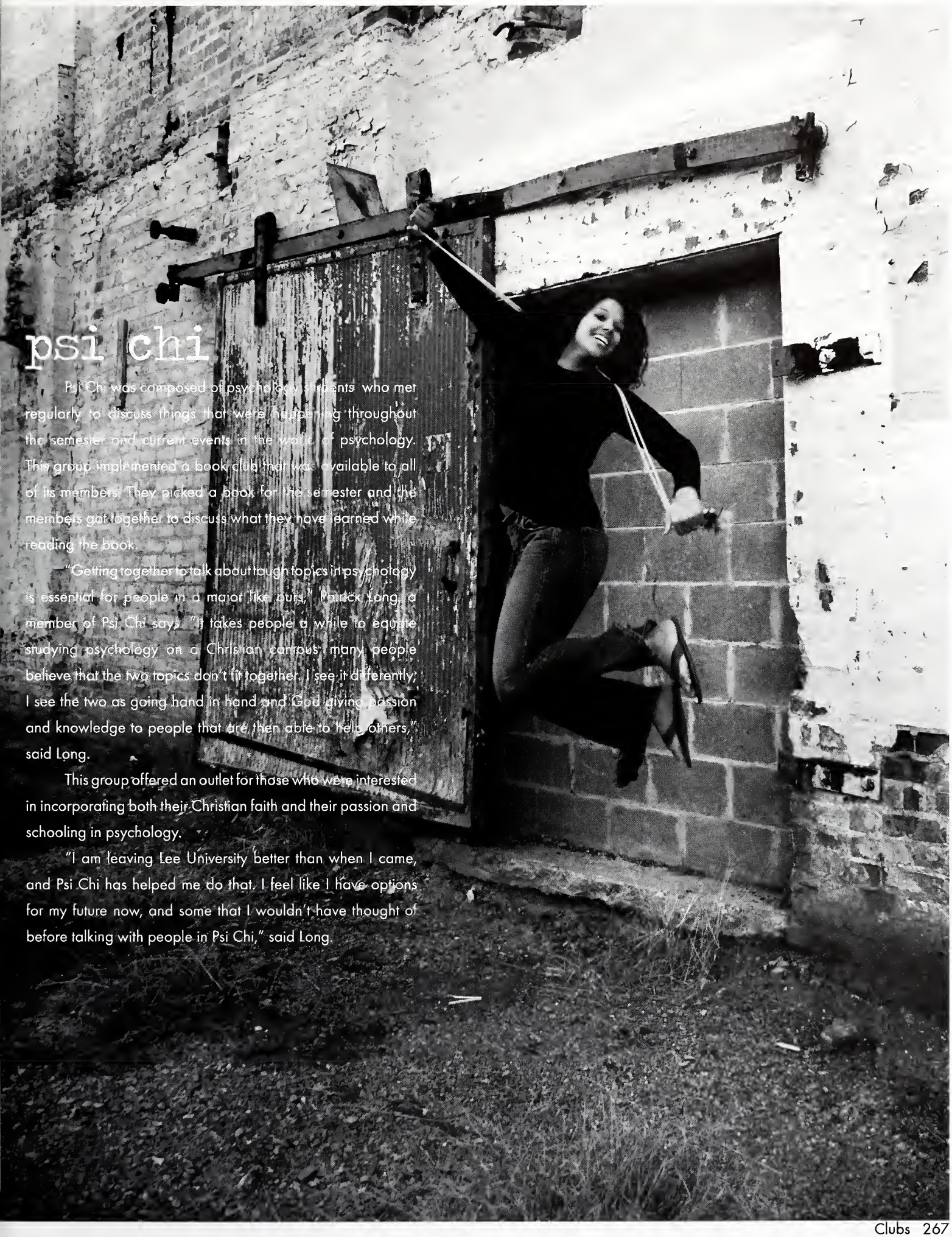


Alpho Koppo Delto



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Pi Delto Phi-Members: Amber Bush, Missy Colter, Liz Conn, Stephonie Fisher, Jenni Kuhns, Angel Rondolph, Morgan St.John, Kristino Weston. *Photo courtesy of Pi Delta Phi.* Koppo Lambdo Ioto-MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UNAVAILABLE. *Photo by Sworup Ronjit.* Tri Beto-MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UNAVAILABLE. *Phato by Janchi Mantrelerdrosme.* Lombdo Pi Eta-MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UNAVAILABLE. *Photo by Sworup Ranjit.* Alpho Koppo Delto-MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UNAVAILABLE. *Photo by Josh Wheeler.* Ioto Tou Alpho-MEMBERSHIP ROSTER UNAVAILABLE. *Photo by Shashonk Shrestha.* OPPOSITE PAGE: Psi Chi member Monique Brimmer is excited to groduote foll semester. *Phato by Tess Boll. Copy by Brittony Cornelson. Loyout by Tess Boll.*



psi chi

Psi Chi was composed of psychology students who met regularly to discuss things that were happening throughout the semester and current events in the world of psychology. This group implemented a book club that was available to all of its members. They picked a book for the semester and the members got together to discuss what they have learned while reading the book.

"Getting together to talk about tough topics in psychology is essential for people in a major like ours," Patrick Long, a member of Psi Chi says. "It takes people a while to equate studying psychology on a Christian campus. many people believe that the two topics don't fit together. I see it differently; I see the two as going hand in hand and God giving passion and knowledge to people that are then able to help others," said Long.

This group offered an outlet for those who were interested in incorporating both their Christian faith and their passion and schooling in psychology.

"I am leaving Lee University better than when I came, and Psi Chi has helped me do that. I feel like I have options for my future now, and some that I wouldn't have thought of before talking with people in Psi Chi," said Long.







everything has its season

The sun sets; the sky fades from azure to flare, from flare to periwinkle, from periwinkle to midnight. The stars emerge from their blanket of atmosphere, shining light from millions of miles away. Comets and meteorites pass through the stratosphere, ending their journey in a fiery blaze, creating a white line of imagination and wishes.

And thus, one day closes and another soon begins. The days move in and move out in perfect alignment, perfect movement and just like that - another school year ends.

Lee University's fluidic, natural motion continues to evolve, adding new majors, new buildings and new faces – both students and faculty. Each year Lee University seems to grow, each year there are new and varied facets to the Lee University campus.

The returning students to Lee University will continue to learn and experience what Lee has to offer them, falling into a current of action over empty words and simply saying. Others will transfer or graduate and move on with their life, moving onto the new era of life, whether that be more school, post-graduation or something else that's new and unique.

As one school year ends and another begins, Lee University remains the same and yet fresh and new. Lee University is a place of growth. It is a place of education. It is a place of action. *Copy by Michael Gillum.*


Charles
Conn

Legacy of Charles Conn

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During a crucial time in Lee University's history, the late Dr. Charles W. Conn stepped in as president and helped the fledgling school set a trajectory for future success.

The year was 1970 and Lee College was struggling through the transition from a Bible training school to a newly accredited liberal arts school.

Even when people in the church challenged the idea to take this new direction, Dr. Conn's reputation in the Church of God and his love of education gave him the experience to lead.

His 12-year presidency, at the time the longest in Lee history, was marked by increased enrollment, new academic programs and new buildings.

Dr. Conn's interests ranged from photography, literature, history and writing poetry to world travel. His love of the arts were an innate part of his desire to expand the school.

He was credited by students as being, "a man for our time," and yet he seemed decades ahead.

While others struggled with America's social unrest during this time, Dr. Conn embraced diversity and brought about a more global focus.

The more different a person the more interesting was his point-of-view. There was so much to learn from others.

Also during this time, the woman's role in authority was unsure. When others bowed to the backlash of the feminist movement, Dr. Conn saw no reason for women not to use their gifting. His philosophy was that God gave people their talents, and they were responsible to Him for how they used it.

A young professor named Caroline Dirksen benefited from this perspective.

Flourishing under the encouragement of her mentor, Dr. Dirksen is now a chief academic officer in a time when still very few women in other organizations hold such a position.

She is one of 27 residual faculty members from Dr. Conn's presidency. In addition to those people many former students during that time have joined as faculty and staff.

Such numbers speak of his focus on students and the vision of building up the school.

Dr. Conn loved being around the students at Lee. He believed that they were (and are) the greatest asset the school has to offer. As president he had a standing policy that if three people arrived to his office at the same time, a businessman, a teacher and a student, show the student in.

He loved people and expressed this through his relational approach to life.

He wanted to be able to walk across campus and have the students react as if to a friend and students still recall his ability to make comfortable as well as to get them thinking.

No matter if you were a student, a family member or a stranger he had the ability to make people feel genuinely cared for.

After his presidency, when he was the official Church of God historian, he could be found all around campus speaking with students. Stories of his life were a favorite and they were often centered around his wife, Edna Minor Conn.

Author of 23 books, including the Church of God history, *Like A Mighty Army*, he spent his early ministerial years having several works published.

He wrote the bulk of his books by hand in stacks upon stacks of yellow steno pads.

Dr. Conn was a skilled wordsmith. As a speaker, writer or just conversing with someone he did it all with the same clarity and ease, never groping for words.

An avid reader he would underline any words he didn't know exact meanings of in books so he could look them up.

Infinitely deeper than any other love he had on earth was that of his wife Edna Minor Conn. The late Mrs. Conn was also mother to their 12 children.

Dr. and Mrs. Conn met while both attendinh Lee's Bible training school. He was smitten from the first moment he laid eyes on her and later penned a poem about that very event.

Partners in ministry as well as raising their family, together they created a legacy built on a love of Christ and a dedication to following him in all things.



They Broke Loudly

Remembering Nathan Sutton

Copy by Cameron Fry.

While the Lee student body continues to reflect on Nathan Sutton's life after his untimely death on April 3, many never had the chance to realize and witness his deep passion for sports.

Sutton came to Lee University out of Heritage Academy in Oakwood, Ga. Although he lettered in soccer and basketball, his favorite sport was football. Interestingly enough, football was the one sport Sutton never played as a member of Heritage Academy Athletics (given the school had no team). Instead Sutton took his game to recreational and intramural leagues, allowing him to broaden his abilities and relationships apart from school.

Upon his arrival at Lee, Sutton joined the Golden Ducks intramural team, playing almost every sport offered. Perhaps no other sport truly showcased his talent like basketball.

"He was a great post player with his main skill being his shooting ability. He was almost always the leading scorer game in and game out," said teammate Bairet Bazemore, who played basketball with Sutton both at Heritage Academy and with the Golden Ducks .

"The one thing that characterized Nathan (both on and off the court) was his competitive drive. I've never met anyone who was more competitive or wanted to win more than he did. He was relentless, insatiable...never satisfied," added Bazemore.

Sports also brought out a keen mind in Sutton. His teammates from the Golden Ducks claimed he had a nitch for knowing every statistic of his favorite team and players, especially the Georgia Bulldogs.

Even in pickup basketball games, Sutton would keep track of his own personal numbers.

"At any point in a game he always knew how many point and rebounds he had. One of my favorite moments with Nathan came in a game this past season. We were winning easily in a game that we would end up winning 71-34. At one point late in the game I asked him how many points he had. He replied, '36. I gotta get to 40.' He ended up scoring 44. Keep in mind this was an intramural basketball game. With 16 minute halves and running clocks, to score over 40 points is unreal. A lot of teams don't score 40 in a game," said Bazemore.

Beyond his athletic ability and competitive nature, Sutton was a man of real character. He was greatly devoted to his friends and family and never allowed his medical setbacks to slow him down. Anyone watching him play for the first time would never had suspected he suffered from any internal condition.

"Nathan was always in a great mood. He had an amazing passion for life and sports. He played flag football with us in the fall of 2007 and basketball with us this past winter. He was the best wide receiver we had in football and a phenomenal basketball player. I recall him being a leader on the sports field, constantly building up his teammates and friends," said former teammate Ben Pressley.

They Called Him Louis

RHO

'Dr. Bob' To Retire After 45 Years

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Veteran science professor Dr. Robert H. O'Bannon announced his retirement effective this year. The well-known 'Dr. Bob' will take with him a whimsical, yet effective teaching style which has left unique memories with hundreds of Lee alumni.

Bob O'Bannon began his college education at Lee in 1958. After completing one year, he has was asked to become associate pastor at the Elizabethton, Tennessee Church of God. He finished his undergraduate coursework in Animal Husbandry at nearby East Tennessee State University and by 1963 he had completed Master's and Doctorate degrees in Reproductive Physiology from the University of Florida. That same year he accepted the call to teach at his alma mater.

Like so many faculty members throughout the history of Lee University , teaching overlaps with ministry and vice versa. Robert O'Bannon's first year teaching at Lee would last one semester before he was asked to accept a ministry leadership post in Egypt. For six months, his family, which included wife Nancy, son Randy and daughter Bethany, lived in Cairo, and then one and a half years in Lebanon where their youngest son, Terry was born. The O'Bannon's were forced to evacuate during the Six Day War which engulfed the Middle East in 1967. The family returned to Cleveland, where Dr. Bob resumed his faculty position teaching health sciences.

For the last 40 years, Dr. O'Bannon has been a staple of the Lee faculty. His teaching 'antics' became legendary with past students, as they lined up to take his classes which have consisted of detailed specimens in formaldehyde and field trips to the local slaughterhouse where severed cow heads served as teaching aids.

"Sometimes students will take tokens home from these trips, and others have left part of themselves there," O'Bannon joked. "I like to have fun teachingd and I have been accused of being an easy grader, so that draws a big crowd."

A self-proclaimed 'die-hard creationist,' O'Bannon's beliefs have stood the test of time as he preached the Biblical truths of creation science, conducted seminars and wrote articles on the topic. His favorite class to teach is Science and the Bible where on the first day of class he would write Genesis 1:1 on the board: "In the beginning, God created the Heavens and the Earth."

"If we don't believe in Genesis we don't need to call ourselves Christians,' he said. "Just because others say it (creationism) is inaccurate doesn't change scripture. If you don't believe the first verse, why do you believe the rest?" He was also passionately pro-life, having written articles against abortion and again using the scriptures to prove his passions in an increasingly pro-choice society.

Although Dr. O'Bannon officially retired in the fall, he was granted a sabbatical for this semester to finish a book he was writing on science and the Bible, of which he has completed 15 chapters. The time off also allowed him time with his wife Nancy, who he met at Lee and married in 1959. She had been battling a number of medical conditions for years, most notably kidney failure, which has rendered her dependant on dialysis. She continued to be active, including serving as the organist every Sunday at Westmore Church of God.

Bob O'Bannon was honored in 2002 for his years of service, along with his faculty colleague, Dr. Don Bowdle, when a new dual residence hall was dedicated with a side each being named in their honors. O'Bannon and Bowdle Halls are joined with a common lobby and are the prime choices of male students living on campus. He was also been the recipient of the two top faculty awards including Excellence in Teaching (1980) and Excellence in Scholarship (1989).

When asked his favorite memory of teaching at Lee, he said, "When a student realizes the fallacy of not believing in Biblical creation, it is very rewarding. So many young people today have been taught (before they get to Lee) that no educated person believes in creation. I'm not trying to throw God stuff in there; the evidence just keeps pointing to intelligent design."

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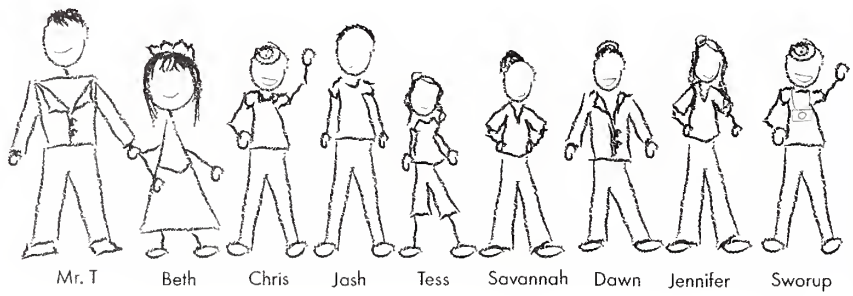
The endsheets are printed on Oxford white paper using a custom blue ink with a different design front and back.

The typography chosen for body copy was typeset AHJ Function 10 pt. Captions and bylines was typeset AHJ Function 8 pt. Civilian, Boston Traffic and Traveling Typewriter were our headline and subheadline fonts. The cover typography was Civilian and Boston Traffic. These fonts were also used in the endsheets and dividers.

The nine member staff used five iMac computers on the first floor of the Paul Conn Student Union in the Publications Lab. The book was created with InDesign CS3 and Photoshop CS3.

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Letter from the Editor:

I would like to begin by thanking the Vindagua section editors and staff writers. Without you there would be no Vindagua. Additionally, I would like to thank our advisors Kevin Trowbridge and Dr. Joel Kailing, Jostens Representatives Susan Taylor and Valerie Ezell and for the continual support of President Paul Conn, the Board of Directors and the rest of the Lee faculty and student body.

The Vindagua's theme, *Actions Speak Louder*, set the pace for the 2008 Vindagua staff. Hard planning and thoughtful writing, photography and design went into each spread by all members of the Vindagua and Photography staff. With help from the Clarion staff, we were able to republish articles and photos from the newspaper into the Vindagua. With our tripod of publications staffs, we leaned on one another for creative ideas, humor and help in our procrastination efforts.

The Vindagua has been my family for the past three years. I want to thank all who have come and gone, leaving me with memories and experiences that are unforgettable. It is each and every one of you who has made my "Lee experience" fantastic.







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